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HOW THE RAJPUTANA WAS SUNK

Twelve officers and twenty-two seamen — Canadian survivors of the armed merchant cruiser "Rajputana"—have arrived in Canada.

40 Lives Lost

Commander Paul Cross, a senior Canadian officer, has reported that 40 lives were lost in the North Atlantic when the submarine torpedoed the Rajputana.

THE FIRST TORPEDO STRUCK THE RAJPUTANA AT 5.32 A.M. WITHOUT WARNING. STATED COMMANDER CROSS.

It entered the engine room stopping the engines and extinguishing the ship's lights.

No one saw the attacker.

The ship listed to port but the vessel stopped sinking at a certain depth.

Second Attack

The Commander added: "We might have made port if we had been left alone, but the submarine attacked again two hours later on the starboard side."

The Rajputana opened fire but the submarine was sighted for only a moment. The crew then abandoned the ship which sank within an hour and a half after the second torpedo. — Reuter.

EASIER MINDS ON LIBYA

Two things are deduced by well-informed sources in Cairo from the enemy assaults against Tobruk, which have been attended only by heavy loss.

The first is that the presence of the British garrison there is worrying the Axis Command.

The second is that the enemy in this area does not dispose of the strength of men and material with which the British forces took Tobruk earlier in the war.

THE LATEST AXIS ATTACK WAS CARRIED OUT BY INFANTRY OF WHICH ABOUT 50 PER CENT WERE GERMANS. WHEREAS PREVIOUSLY THE GERMANS AND THE ITALIANS ATTACKED SEPARATELY.

British armoured patrols have taken the initiative around Solium, which itself has become a sort of No Man's Land. — Reuter.

MR. CHURCHILL TO BROADCAST

Mr. Winston Churchill is to broadcast in the home and overseas programme at 8 p.m. GMT on April 27. — Reuter.

BRITAIN MAY GET IDLE SHIPS IN U.S. PORTS

The Merchant Marine Committee of the House of Representatives has approved the Bill authorising Roosevelt to seize and use foreign ships lying idle in United States ports.

It is understood that the language of the Bill is tantamount to a permit for the handing of such ships to Britain if it is so desired. — Reuter.

GERMAN STEAMER GOES TO SEA

The German steamer "Habington" of 4,422 tons, is reported to have left Santos yesterday for an unknown destination, according to Reuter's Rio de Janeiro correspondent.

Nazi Claim Of Breakthrough Discounted

OFFICIAL REPORTS FROM THE SMALL ANGLO-GREEK FRONT RECEIVED IN CAIRO INDICATE THAT THE BRITISH IMPERIAL AND GREEK FORCES ARE STUBBORNLY CONTESTING EVERY INCH OF GROUND.

Sources close to the Middle East Command sharply discount the German claims of a complete breakthrough at the Pass of Thermopylae and of the turning of the Allied left wing above the Corinthian Gulf coast.

Authorised quarters state that they had no information to support the German reports that substantial forces of the B.E.F. is evacuating Greece "after the purported German push through Thermopylae."

The official Cairo communique declares: "Our troops were in contact with the enemy in Greece yesterday, but there were no important engagements." — International News Service.

"Unbroken Line"

Despite very heavy fighting, Empire forces in Greece are still holding an unbroken line against the advancing German hordes according to reports received in Cairo last night.

The situation of the Greek units who are still fighting is obscure but as far as is known the British left flank has maintained contact with them. — Reuter.

German Claims

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Germans, of course, are making their usual claims, and are now hinting of imminent capitulation.

They state that Stukas have heavily battered Piraeus and other Greek harbours in a furious all-out aerial assault aimed at preventing the withdrawal of the British and Greek forces from the Peninsula. — International News Service.

YUGOSLAV TROOPS REACH MIDDLE EAST

It is officially announced in Cairo that Yugoslav troops and 'planes have been transported from Yugoslavia and have arrived in the Middle East to join the Allied force against the Axis. — Reuter.

BAD NEWS TO COME

"The Germans are swarming like filthy lice over the fair body of Europe."

"One day there shall be a great cleaning," declared Mr. Hugh Dalton, the Minister of Economic Warfare in a speech in London yesterday.

HE DECLARED THAT BAD NEWS BLUNTLY TOLD FACES THE BRITISH PEOPLE.

"But Britain, behind their incomparable Prime Minister, stand united. We mean to see this thing through to the end and the only end for us is total victory."

"We are greatly sustained by moral and material aid from the United States. When properly equipped we will bear down all the evil forces arrayed against us." — Reuter.

GERMAN FORCES CAPTURE LEMNOS

Following an ultimatum from German forces which had previously occupied the island of Samothrace, 30 miles to the north-east, a German contingent at 5 a.m. yesterday landed at Lemnos, strategic Greek island near the entrance of the Dardanelles, it was learned in Athens yesterday.

A small Greek garrison consisting of infantry and police resisted the invaders for over four hours.

A semi-official Greek communique states that the German "governor" of Samothrace sent an ultimatum ordering the surrender of Lemnos by midnight on Wednesday otherwise it would be forcibly occupied.

M. Karamenjanis, Prefect of Lemnos, in reply to a request for Government instructions, was ordered to do his duty as the honour of Greece demanded.

At 5 a.m. yesterday, the Germans began to disembark troops from transports which reached the harbour of Purdia under the escort of aircraft.

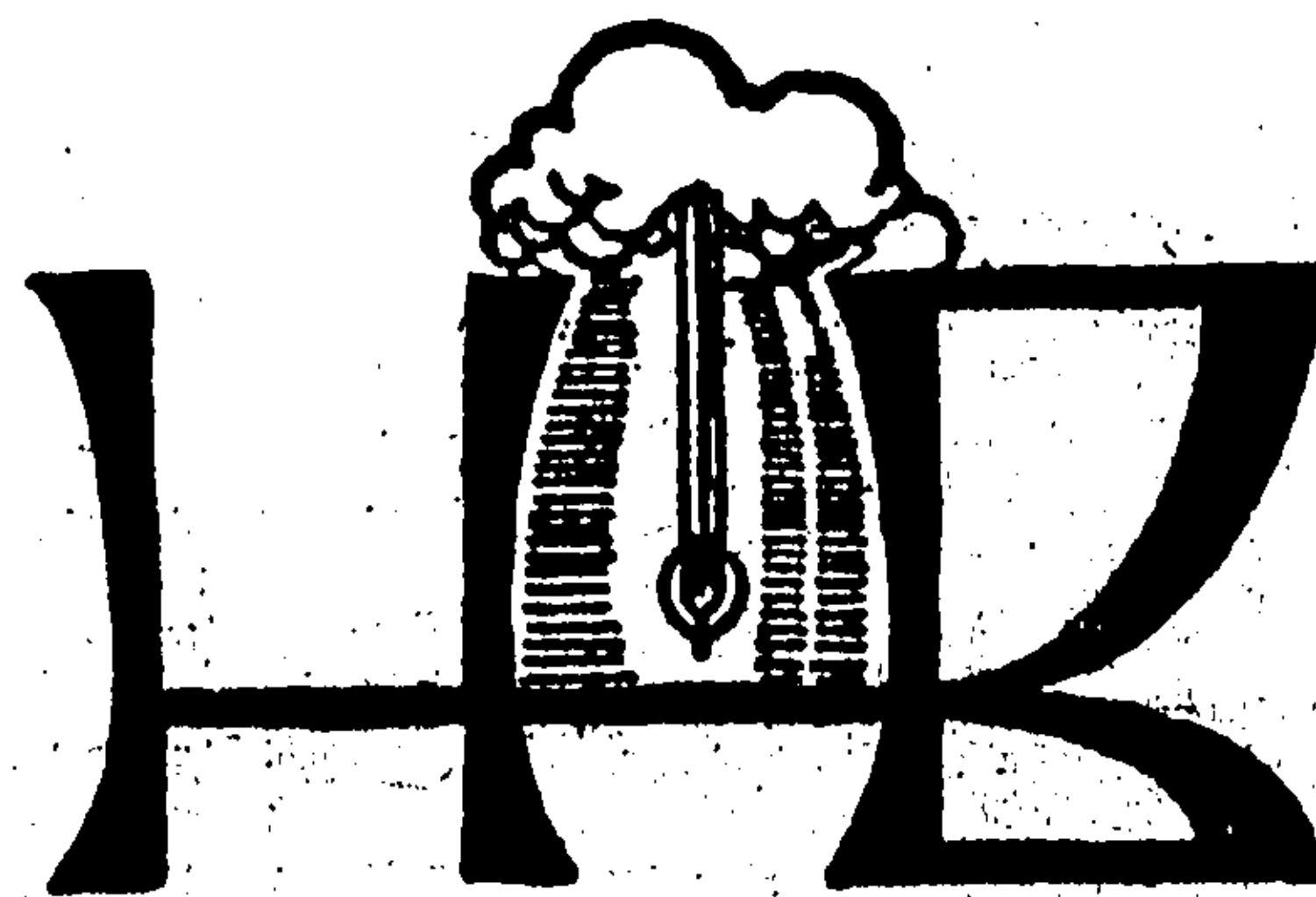
4-Hour Fight

The small garrison resisted till after 9 a.m.

All Greek officials are remaining at their posts under orders from the Greek Government.

The Greek Minister for the Interior, M. Maniadakis, has telegraphed to the Prefect of Lemnos saying that the garrison's struggle deeply moved the whole of Greece, and had added another page to the national epic of a glorious country battling against two empires. — Reuter.

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Day Of Great Anxiety Reflected At Anzac Lunch

FIGHTING "TO SOME EXTENT IN THE DARK"

BROADER POWERS FOR PRESIDENT

Legislation to give President Roosevelt vastly broadened powers to establish priorities and ration supplies for defence purposes or aid to Britain was introduced in Congress yesterday in Washington by Mr. Carl Vinson, representative for Georgia, at the request of the Administration. —Reuter.

BRITISH MISSIONARY SENTENCED

Mr. David Davis, British missionary, arrested in Shansi Province last September and held in confinement since, has been sentenced to four years' imprisonment by a Japanese Military Court.

This was revealed in reply to enquiries by the British Embassy authorities by the Japanese Embassy who however professed ignorance of the charges and other details. —Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE CHEERFUL

The Stock Exchange continued cheerful but further early improvements in gilt-edged securities was not wholly maintained.

Leading oils and certain dividend-paying Kaffirs met with some support, but industrials were quiet, though generally firmly held.

Egyptian unified improved but Portuguese bonds receded fractionally. Wall Street was steady. —Reuter.

AN ANZAC DAY LUNCHEON HELD AT OVERSEAS HOUSE IN LONDON YESTERDAY WAS A FUNCTION WHICH REFLECTED THE DRAMA OF EVENTS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF GALLIPOLI IN THE SAME CORNER OF EUROPE TO-DAY.

Mr. Menzies, the Prime Minister of Australia, whose troops are carrying out a heroic withdrawal in Greece, said that this was a day of great anxiety, "on which those who fight are fighting bravely and to some extent in the dark."

"Those who keep the homes from which those men came are anxiously awaiting the result and those few who must make the decisions on which the men's lives may turn are consumed with anxiety as to what their decisions may be."

This anxiety, said Mr. Menzies, did not spell fear, or weakness, or hesitation, or even regrets. They were anxious, he hoped, as brave men might afford to be anxious, but their anxiety would never affect their resolution to go through with this war and finish it as the war should be finished.

They regretted the events, but they had as much regret for the dangers, or just as little, as the men to-day fighting somewhere in South Greece.

Greek Resistance

The Greek Minister in London, M. Simopoulos, said that Greece, after historic resistance to Italy for nearly six months, was being overrun by the machine of Germany, but the King and the Government, faced with the alternative of surrendering their liberties or defending them, had resisted, and "with full knowledge of the ordeals waiting them, they have given everything for liberty."

Field-Marshal Lord Milne, who presided, led the British Forces in Macedonia in the last war, and he disclosed that his own son was at present somewhere in Greece. He added: "I hope he is doing his best to support the gallant soldiers of the Dominions." —Reuter.

There were 2,346 evacuees from Great Britain to Northern Ireland by the end of January. Over 700 of them went in January, and 276 were children under school age accompanied by adults. The majority of the evacuees are from London, Birmingham, and Liverpool.

VATICAN CRITICISES NAZIS

An extensive summary of the Lenten pastoral letter issued by Mgr. Konrad Grober, Archbishop of Freiburg, which was suppressed by the German authorities, is published by the "Osservatore Romano" recently.

The summary in view of its strong criticism of the Nazis' religious policy, is regarded as the most daring piece of documentation printed by the Vatican City newspaper since Italy entered the war, when Italian pressure caused the banning of news unfavourable to the Axis.

Vatican circles said this document could not have been made public without permission of the Papal Secretary of State or of the Pope, in view of the gravity of the charges it contains. The publication is attributed to the church's traditional policy of defending religious tenets regardless of political consequences.

Curb On Opinion

"It is debatable," runs the "Osservatore Romano's" summary of the letter, "whether we still possess in the same measure granted others the possibility of expressing frankly our Christian convictions without danger in public and outside the church, with the written or spoken word. It is undeniable that the state of war has brought about certain spiritual truth, but it is not understandable that such truth is supplied in many cases to only one of the parties."

"The schism of the German people is undeniable. With pardonable optimism we had hoped that the present frightful conflict would bring about a change. I deceived myself. Indeed, it seems to me that because of the war the isolation and exclusion of confirmed Catholics is taking place here and there behind the front in a manner almost more evident than in past years."

"In concluding the pastoral letter the prelate analyses the distress of catholicism in Germany, the 'Osservatore's' summary continued. 'The assertion that Christianity is the enemy of the German people has not remained a mere theoretical affirmation because the modern German applies totalitarianism bluntly.'

"At the end the letter rejects the idea that Catholics should remain impassive in the face of losses and bear them with resignation and faith in God. Resignation without defence is proper



The oft-delayed British propaganda film "Forty-Ninth Parallel" has begun production at Denham. Laurence Olivier, returned from Hollywood for war service, plays the French-Canadian trapper in this tale of six Germans at large in Canada. Mr. Olivier wears a magnificent beard in the film. Photo shows Laurence Olivier as he appears in the film. (Copyright, Fox).

FIND HOARD IN RUINS

While working among the ruins of a row of houses after a raid on a west town, six members of a rescue party discovered what is believed to be a miser's hoard.

They recovered £600 in Treasury notes and nearly £2,000 in share certificates.

The damage to the houses was so great that there was no indication exactly where the hoard was hidden.

It is believed the owner was a man who lost his life in the raid and who for many years posed as penniless.

Reward Finders

Police asked the town council to recommend the regional authorities to reward the finders for their honesty and to commend them for their rescue work.

This has been done but council officers have refused to disclose the names of the men before a decision is reached by the regional commissioner.

only when it is a question of wrongs done to one's own person, not when the honour of God, the health of the soul and the Christian future of the people are at stake.

"Mere resignation before fundamental problems and the commandment of God would be in contradiction with conscience and with the example and doctrine of Christ. It would be a downright sin if we should leave to the enemies of Christianity—who never rest and take advantage of all occasions—free access to the souls of children, so tenderly loved by the Redeemer and protected by Him with the bulwark of very stern threats. * * *

Gloomy Future

"Already it is almost certain that the future of our people, to whom we are bound with every fibre of our heart, is being built only on an anti-Christian foundation."

"Before these problems German Catholics must trust in God."

"We trust in the robustness of the faith and the solidarity of Catholics. We trust in the growing moral sensitiveness of parents, in the love that still exists and in the sense of justice of those who with the help of God are leading Germany to her victorious greatness. We also know from Christian experience that Christian sorrow is an inexhaustible spring of frank and divine blessing."

"Amidst their tribulations Catholics will give proof of their love for crucified Christ."

KING'S MESSAGE TO ANZACS

"The unflinching heroism of the Australians who fought 26 years ago has shown itself again on the battle-fields in Libya and Greece," said His Majesty the King in a message on the occasion of Anzac Day.

"In the face of heavy odds, Anzac troops and the British Expeditionary Force have been fighting magnificently by the side of a very gallant ally in the cause of justice and liberty."

"As on the day which we commemorate Australia has good reason to be proud of her sons." —Reuter.

WAR WORK WHOOPEE PEPS UP NEW YORK

New York night life is gayer than ever, result of the new prosperity brought by defence production, cables, John Walters "Daily Mirror" correspondent.

Revelers were treated the other night to a hair-pulling contest between two girls, while nearby a wealthy husband leaped three storeys from the window of a blonde's flat when his wife burst in on them.

The evening's casualties amounted to two demolished collars, one evening frock seriously damaged, and multiple scratches suffered by the window-jumping husband, who landed in a hedge.

The Battle of the Amazons flared up when pretty divorcee plaintiff Beverly Paterno, supping at the Hotel Pierre grill, met socialite Oomph girl Honeychile Wilder, whom Beverly has named in a divorce suit against her husband.

Leaping husband was William Croft, metal magnate's heir.

INDIAN CADETS IN TRAINING

The training of Indian officer cadets for the army was personally inspected in Simla yesterday by the Commander-in-Chief, when, as part of a series of tours of military establishments in India, he paid flying visits to training centres.

His Excellency was most impressed by the bearing of young future officers under training. —Reuter.

BULGARIA AS A BELLIGERENT

President Roosevelt has officially proclaimed the existence of a state of war between Bulgaria on the one hand and Yugoslavia and Greece on the other, thereby invoking the Neutrality Act restrictions against Bulgaria. —Reuter.

New "Tommy" gun in production by Harrington and Richardson Arms Company, of Worcester, Mass., fires 200 shots a minute, weighs six and a half pounds, has only three moving parts, costs about £10.

Firm will be turning out 1,000 a day by next month. Britain wants to buy 500,000. Simplicity of construction will enable mass production to reach astronomical figures without delay.

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President Not Yet Ready To Give Order For Convoys

BATTLE WITH THE NIGHT BOMBER

One hundred enemy aircraft have so far been shot down this month over Britain and round the coast, it is officially announced. Seventy-five of these were destroyed at night. — Reuter.

British Loan To China

A Sino-British agreement is about to be signed allocating £5,000,000 for stabilising Chinese currency.

British experts in banking circles in London opine that further allocation of funds by both the British and American Governments to stabilise the Chinese currency will have the following favourable effects upon China:

First, it will considerably reinforce the exchange reserves the Chinese currency;

Secondly, the uncontrolled depreciation of the Chinese dollar need not be expected in the near future;

Thirdly, it will enable the American and British banks in Shanghai to take over such official activities as were previously centred in the Chinese Government banks, whose offices in Shanghai have been temporarily closed as a consequence of terrorist acts, thereby enabling China to reassert control. — Central News.

SOUTH-EAST COAST TOWN BOMBED

THERE WAS LITTLE ENEMY ACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN YESTERDAY.

One bomber dropped bombs on a town near the south-east coast causing a number of casualties and some damage.

Subsequently, the bomber was shot down into the sea by British fighters, according to an Air Ministry communique. — Reuter.

Testing the new Bell Airacobra (P.39), Pilot Andrew McDonough gave it a final, power-dive over Buffalo Airport.

Instrument readings recorded on a fixed movie film showed that P.39 had hit 620 miles an hour, fastest speed ever attained by a man-controlled machine.

Pilot and machine were checked in as perfectly sound.

Under new B.B.C. plan thirty-three different languages will be broadcast on six separate wavelengths for a total of 54 hours every day.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT that it was possible that Greenland has been partly occupied by Axis forces caused a sensation in Washington yesterday at President Roosevelt's press conference.

The President added that he had no definite information on the matter, and he replied in the negative when asked whether the occupation might be by Fifth Columnists.

He said that the United States was taking steps to counteract any occupation of Greenland and he hoped that there would be "no further act of aggression."

President Roosevelt also declared at the conference that American neutrality patrols would operate "as far into the waters of the seven seas" as may be necessary for the defence of the Western Hemisphere.

The United States was not thinking of escorting convoys of merchantmen at this time, the President added. He declined to be drawn into specific comments designed to amplify his views on convoys, but said that for a year and a half neutrality patrol vessels had been operating as far as a thousand miles from the Atlantic eastern shore.

Patrol And Convoy

The Maryland patrol, he said, had been extended and would continue to be extended from time to time. He emphatically declared that the patrol was not a convoy.

The President defined a convoy as escorting merchantmen in a group to protect them from aggression. He defined a patrol as a reconnaissance of an area to find if there were any aggressive ship entering or approaching the Western Hemisphere.

President Roosevelt attacked American appeasers at the conference and named Colonel Lindbergh. He indicated that the United States Army has not recalled Lindbergh to active duty because of his views on the international situation.

Col. Knox's Speech

Two points emerge clearly from the speech of Colonel Knox, Secretary for the Navy, in the opinion of observers in Washington.

The points are that the United States navy will decide to convoy materials to Britain and that as far as Washington is concerned, Russia is considered to be in the Axis camp because she is assisting the Japanese to become more menacing towards the United States in the Pacific.

The speech is regarded as the most outspoken delivered by any member of the Cabinet apart from President Roosevelt since the beginning of the war.

Clear Indication

Doubtless, public reaction to this exceedingly plain speaking will guide the President in making his next public announcement which is likely to be fairly soon.

Colonel Knox's statement that "we cannot allow our goods to be sunk in the Atlantic. We shall be beaten if we do" is regarded as the clearest indication that convoys are coming.

Mr. Willkie Favours Convoys

"It is no use speeding up production here if our supplies for over there are to rest at the bottom of the ocean," said Mr. Wendell Willkie in a speech at Pittsburgh, commenting on the earlier speeches of Colonel Knox and Mr. Cordell Hull.

He added that it was time the Administration gave America the facts and then took the lead instead of following public opinion.

It is necessary to protect these shipments by what the naval and military experts consider the most effective method. — Reuter.

HONEYMOON 'PLANE IN DOG-FIGHT

Three hours after 22-years-old Irene Tulloch had become Mrs. Noel L. Costain, she and her 25-years-old bridegroom watched the honeymoon 'plane they were awaiting mixed up in a dog-fight over a north of Scotland district.

They watched the machine that was to take them away dodging bullets and duelling 'planes as Spitfires attacked a formation of German fighter-bombers.

The civil 'plane landed. A few minutes later, as the air battle veered seawards, the newly-weds were in the air on their way to Birmingham.

The bride's only comment was: "This is a thrilling start for our honeymoon."

With them was the best man, Mr. Stanley G. Costain, the bridegroom's elder brother. He said: "It was pretty lively but Irene was not a bit scared."

"She was more worried about whether our machine was all right and how many Nazis the Spitfire pilots shot down. As we flew south we saw the tail end of the battle still going on."

Another passenger said: "She was absolutely indifferent to the danger."

Mr. Costain is the son of Mr. G. W. Costain, Birmingham consulting engineer. The father said:

"My son has been stationed in the north with the Air Ministry. There he met Miss Tulloch."

CURFEW ORDER IN AHMEDABAD

Curfew has been imposed at Ahmedabad, between 7 p.m. and 5.30 a.m., as a consequence of the recent communal rioting.

The Governor of Bombay, Sir R. Lumley, warned citizens that the sternest action will follow further breaches of the peace. — Reuter.

London has 242 police horses on duty, although they are regularly hurt in air raids. They are no more worried by guns and bombs than by cheering crowds and brass bands.



The Ministry of Shipping is running a Hat Show at the Ritz Hotel in aid of the Naval Comfort Fund. Mrs. Ronald Cress, wife of the Minister of Shipping, has organised the show. Photo shows Lady Marguerite Strickland, daughter of the Earl of Darnley, wearing one of the latest creations. — (Copyright, Fox).

POLYGAMY WAS RIGHT SHE SAYS

MODERN MARRIAGE IS A MUCH WORSE ARRANGEMENT THAN THE POLYGAMY ONCE PRACTISED BY THE MORMONS, SAYS MISS MAURINE WHIPPLE, AMERICAN AUTHOR, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH OF THE LATTER DAY SAINTS, AS THE MORMONS CALL THEMSELVES.

"To understand what I mean you have to look back to the beginnings of polygamy," she said. "The Mormons didn't have more than one wife just for the fun of it — some people do to-day."

"The women outnumbered the men by four to one because of plagues and wars. Brigham Young (the Mormon leader) was faced with the problem of having dozens of useless old maids, and he turned to polygamy as an economic experiment, not as a sex sensation."

"Don't think I advocate polygamy. There is no necessity for it to-day. But while it had its faults it wasn't the evil, unlawful arrangement that it has been held up to be all these years."

NEUTRALITY PACT RATIFIED

THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN YESTERDAY RATIFIED THE NEUTRALITY PACT BETWEEN SOVIET RUSSIA AND JAPAN AND APPROVED OF THE RELATIVE DECLARATION SIGNED IN MOSCOW BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH POWERS, ACCORDING TO THE MOSCOW RADIO.

On the Soviet side, the Presidium of Supreme Soviet U.S.S.R., ratified the Pact in Moscow.

The announcement added that the Pact comes into force as from yesterday. — Reuter.

ful arrangement that it has been held up to be all these years. "Marriage to-day is taken lightly. Such an attitude would be considered sinful by the Mormons."

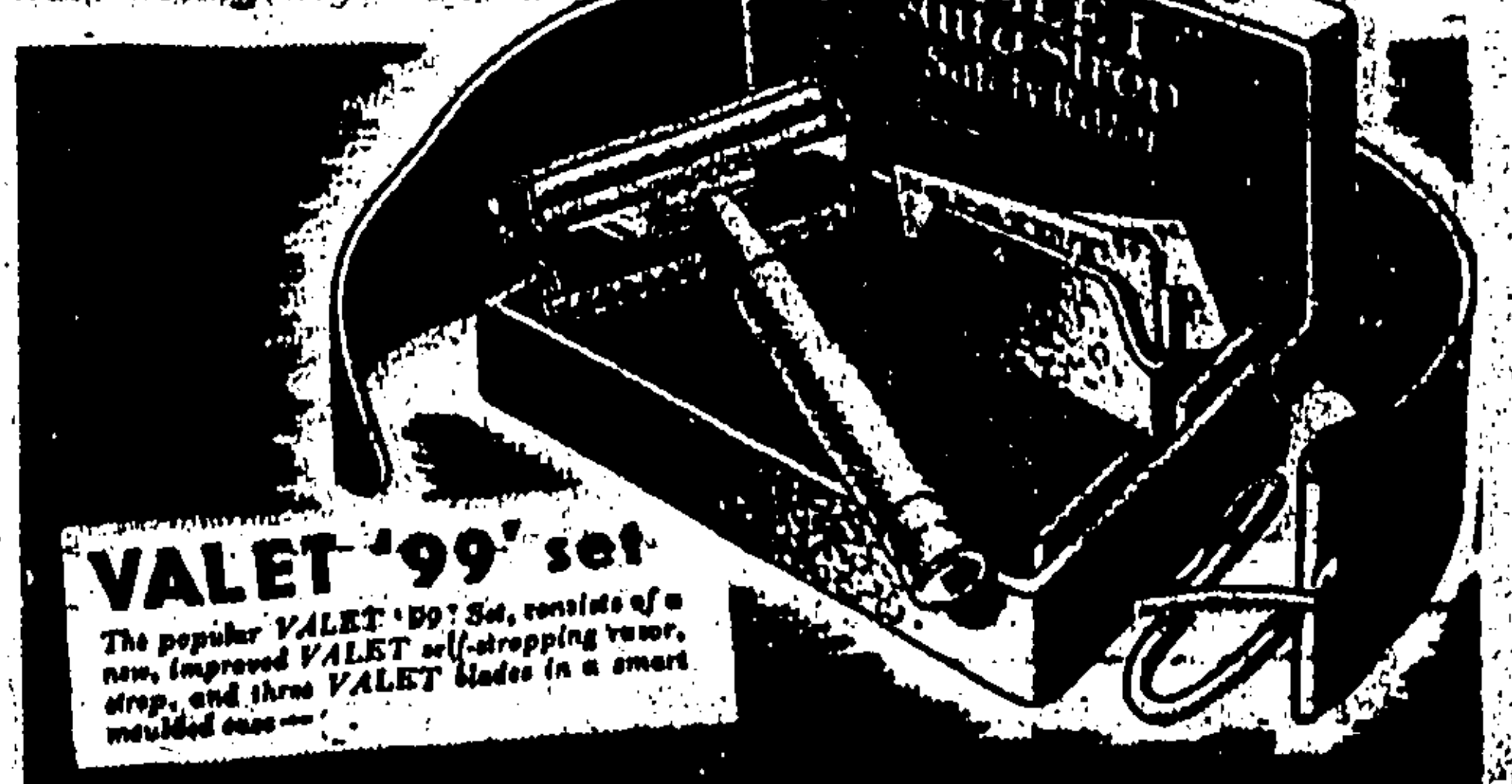
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GERMAN SHORTAGE OF FERROUS ALLOYS: BLOCKADE PRESSURES

DETERIORATION IN quality of German armaments will result from the shortage of ferrous alloys in Germany, declared Mr. Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare, last night in London.

He said that the bombs with which Germany was killing people to-day, were from stocks built up before the war. He referred to negotiations proceeding in Washington and said that when they were completed, there would be still greater tightening of supplies which were getting through to enemy countries.

Mr. Dalton warned the audience that they could not look for a shortage of iron and steel because Germany had sources in occupied territory and in Sweden which would give her all she required.

It was idle to think they could bring breadless days in Germany, though there were already breadless days and a shortage of oil.

Oil Supply

As regards oil, Mr. Dalton said that German stocks are being eaten into.

"Provided certain conditions are satisfied, we can confidently say that Germany will be pinched for oil at no very distant date."

"Those conditions are that Germany secure no new sources of supply, that German arms continue the use of oil as they are now doing, that we continue to command the eastern Mediterranean and that the Royal Air Force continue to bomb synthetic plants in Germany."

At present more than half of German oil was coming from those plants. Only a very determined person would think the blockade of itself would ever help to hasten the victory. Reuter.

WONDER SURGERY

A seven-years-old girl who had a heavy poker driven through her forehead has had her life saved by a miracle of brain surgery.

To-day the child, Audrey Waggon, of Slough, Buckinghamshire, is apparently little worse for her injuries—and it is thought unlikely that she will be permanently affected.

Doctors at the King Edward VII. Hospital, Windsor, despaired of saving her life when she was carried into the operating room.

Audrey was conscious, and did not appear to be in much pain.

The resident doctor on duty, Dr. A. Little, who has been in charge of the case, summoned one of the consulting surgeons, Mr. Nathaniel Miller, who has made a close study of brain surgery.

They found that the poker was embedded 1 1/4 in. deep. It was impossible to remove it. With infinite care the surgeons worked round it.

Finally they were able to take it away altogether without injuring the brain—a feat, almost unprecedented in the history of British surgery.

There were grave fears that the child might have a fatal attack of meningitis.

So a dose of the now famous drug M. and B. 693 was given before and after the operation. Meningitis was avoided.

NAME FASCISTS IN KEY JOBS

To eliminate danger to the State in case of invasion, will you send to the heads of departments a list of people in key positions who were in the British Union of Fascists when war began?

Mr. Josiah Wedgwood (Soc., Newcastle-under-Lyme) put this question to the Home Secretary in the House of Commons.

The Under-Secretary replied that all necessary steps were taken to guard against such risks, but it would not be in the public interest to give details.

Mr. Wedgwood: I want to know whether those who were Fascists are known in the departments in which they are employed?

The Under-Secretary: Once I begin telling what steps are taken by the security services I should be creating a precedent which might have very awkward repercussions.

U.S. TO RECOGNISE SIMOVITCH GOVT.

Mr. Cordell Hull declared yesterday in Washington that the United States will continue to recognise the Yugoslav Refugee Government and M. Constantin Fortitch as its Minister in Washington.—Reuter.

'FINED' HIS AUTOGRAPH

A motorist who was fined £1 at Calne (Wilts) recently for speeding also provided three court officials with his autograph.

The man wrote three letters to the court explaining why he had driven through the town at 48 m.p.h.

Supt. Sadler, who received one of the letters, carefully cut out the signature.

The clerk watched him and followed suit. He handed the autograph to the magistrates.

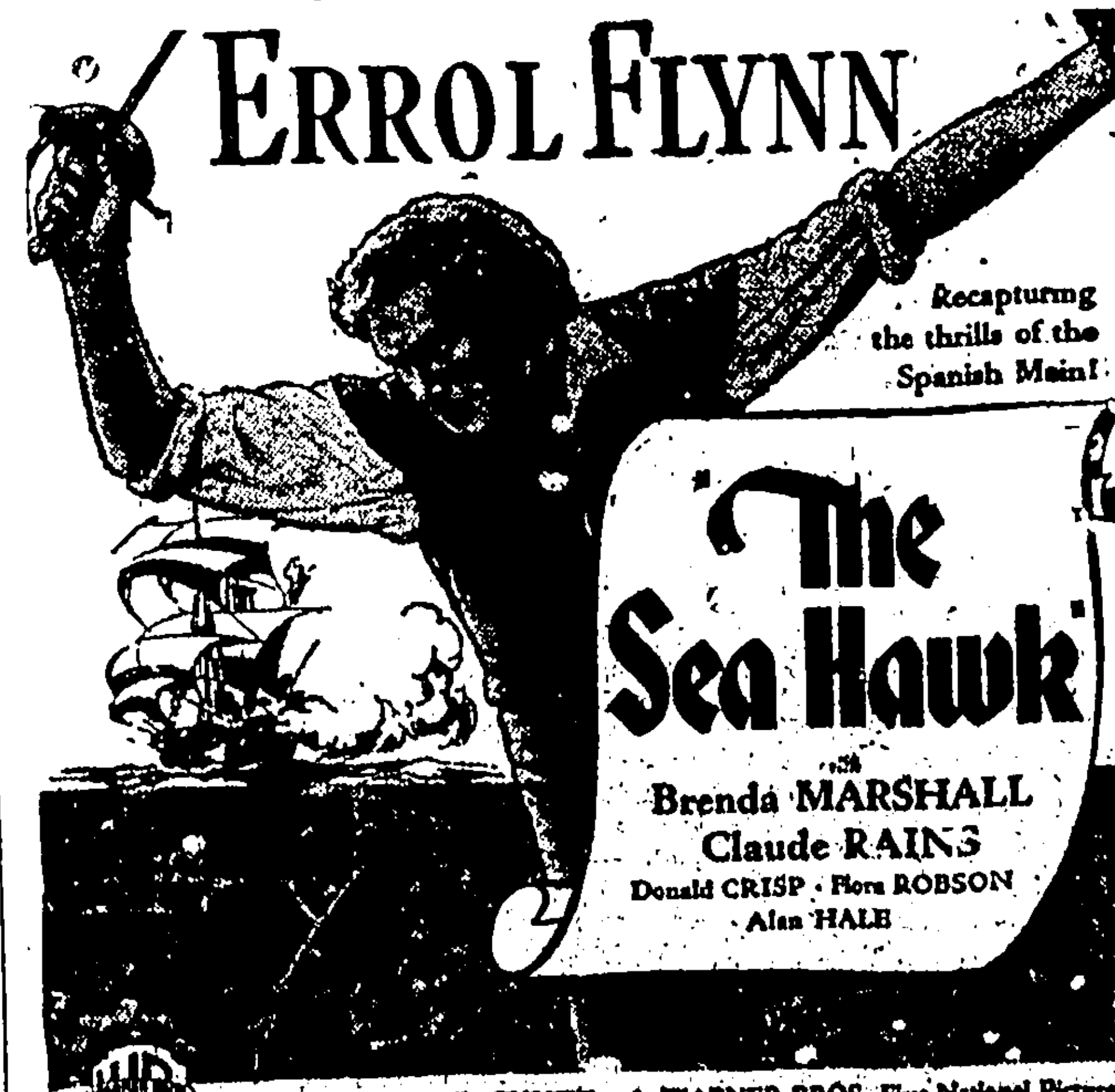
The clerk cut out the signature to the third letter and kept it himself.

The motorist whose autograph was so eagerly collected was Jack Payne.

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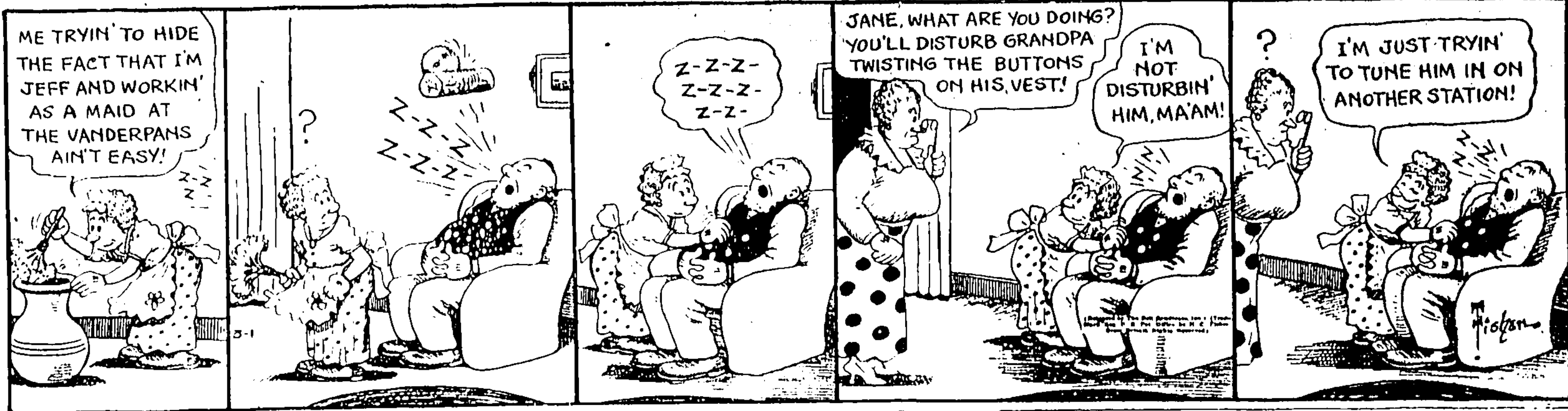
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(By A Special Correspondent)

HE IS EIGHT-FIVE. He is an artist and he lives alone in a lonely old house which once echoed with childish laughter. Now his children have grown up and have left the nest, and the house is grey and silent.

More than anything else he wants children in his house again. He wants to hear their ringing laughter, their chatter, and the patter of their feet. He wants to paint them, too.

So he has put an advertisement in a newspaper offering part of his home rent free, to a mother and one or two children. The advertisement offers two rooms and the use of others—in return for hearing the children's voices.

The artist is Mr. Arthur Englefield, who lives at Duckshill, Northwood, Middlesex. His wife is dead, and his four children have left to go into homes of their own. He has a five-year-old granddaughter, Vanessa, but she is with her parents in India.

Bought Toys

Mr. Englefield has already bought some toys in expectation of early arrivals. "I hope they will like them," he told me.

"I don't want 'snobby' youngsters," he added. "I would much prefer them to come from a middle-class family. All I ask is to hear their voices as they play in the house and gardens."

Some of the walls of Mr. Englefield's house are covered with pictures he has painted. For many years he exhibited at the Royal Academy. In one room there was a child's portrait in oils.

"I am always painting them," Mr. Englefield said, "mostly from memory. If I get the right type of child, bright and intelligent, and one who looks like being an artist, I will teach the youngster. For years I was an art teacher."

"I cannot tell you how thrilled I am at the prospect of having children here again. I am just living for that day."

IN TIME FOR BREAKFAST

A wounded Nazi airman crawled, bootless, up to the cottage home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hollick on the out-skirts of London recently, knocked on the door and asked for help. This is what happened.

Mr. Hollick, aged fifty-seven ("I'd have shot him if he'd been any trouble") flung open the door and pointed his shotgun at the Nazi.

"Pe'er the dog ('Best rather in the district') dashed out of the door and grabbed the man's trousers. And

Mrs. Hollick, aged fifty-five ("I had just started to light the fire when I heard the knock") gave him breakfast.

The Nazi was so pleased that he took off his floating jacket and gave it to Mrs. Hollick as a souvenir. "Take this and put it up—saves before the police come," he said.

But when the police took the Nazi away later, Mrs. Hollick handed over the jacket as well.

"His 'Maw West' my son called it," she said to me. "But I didn't want the magistrate to say 'Come up and see me sometime!'"

The Nazi, aged about twenty-two, had baled out from his plane, which crashed six miles away after it had been hit by a night fighter.

His parachute was found later. This is the story of the adventure as told by the cottagers and their son.

Said Mrs. Hollick —

"I locked the cottage door for the first time for weeks, the night before.

"After the knock I heard some one muttering, 'Let me in, I'm freezing.' I knew it was a foreigner so I called my husband.

"When the man came in, I could see he was wounded in the neck, arm and leg. He was exhausted with the cold—he had been wandering about for two or three hours—and he collapsed on a couch."

Said Mr. Hollick—

"After I had called off the dog we put him in front of the fire. His feet and the blood from his wounds were frozen.

"He told how his companions were still in the plane when he jumped.

"He was a fine big fellow and was wearing the ribbon of the Iron Cross.

"My son, Driver Herbert Hollick, of the R.A.S.C., was home on leave and tried his French on him."

Said Herbert Hollick—

"I pointed out where our window was broken by a German bomb several weeks ago.

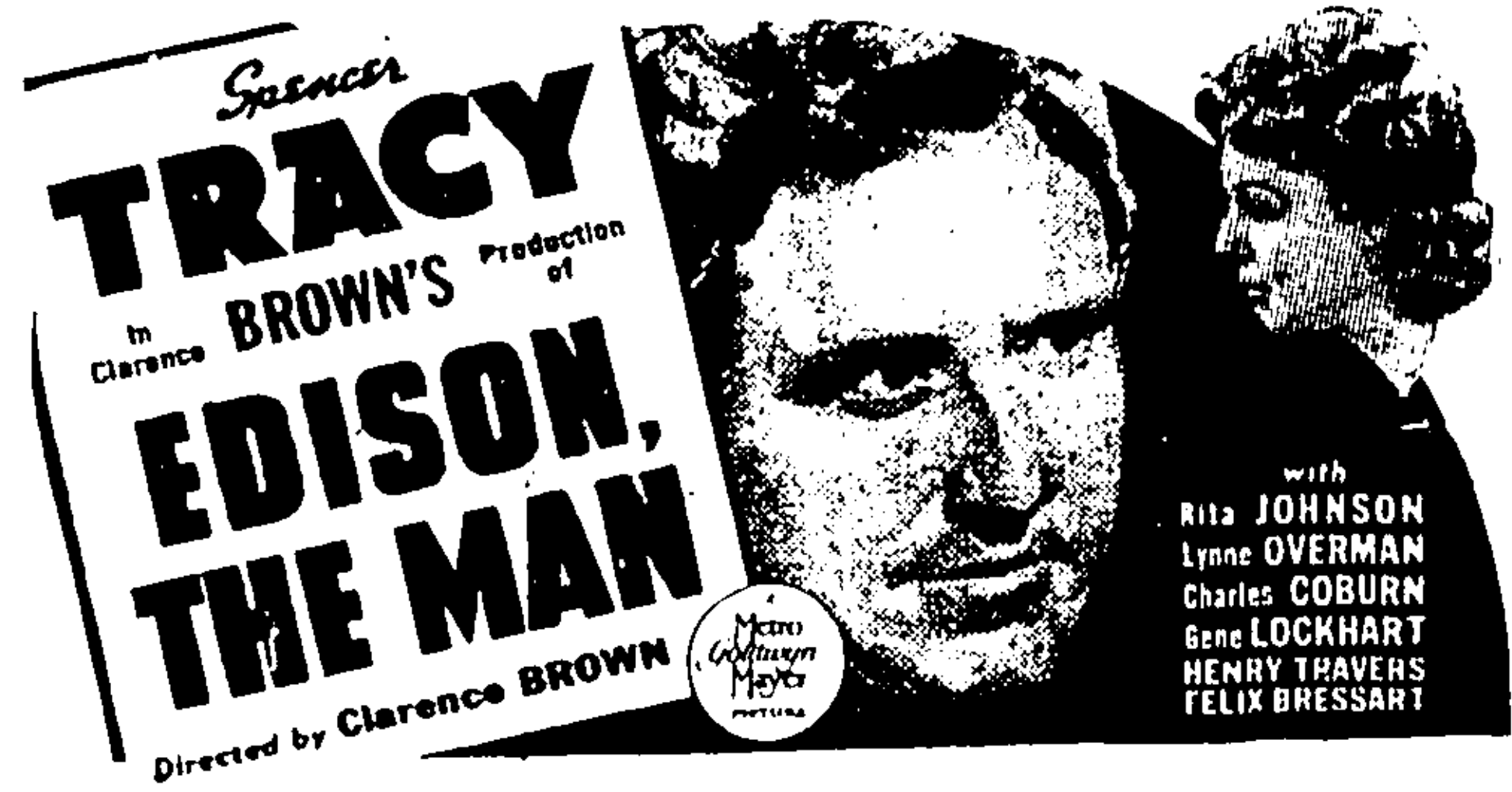
"He didn't want to hear about that. He was more worried about his boots."

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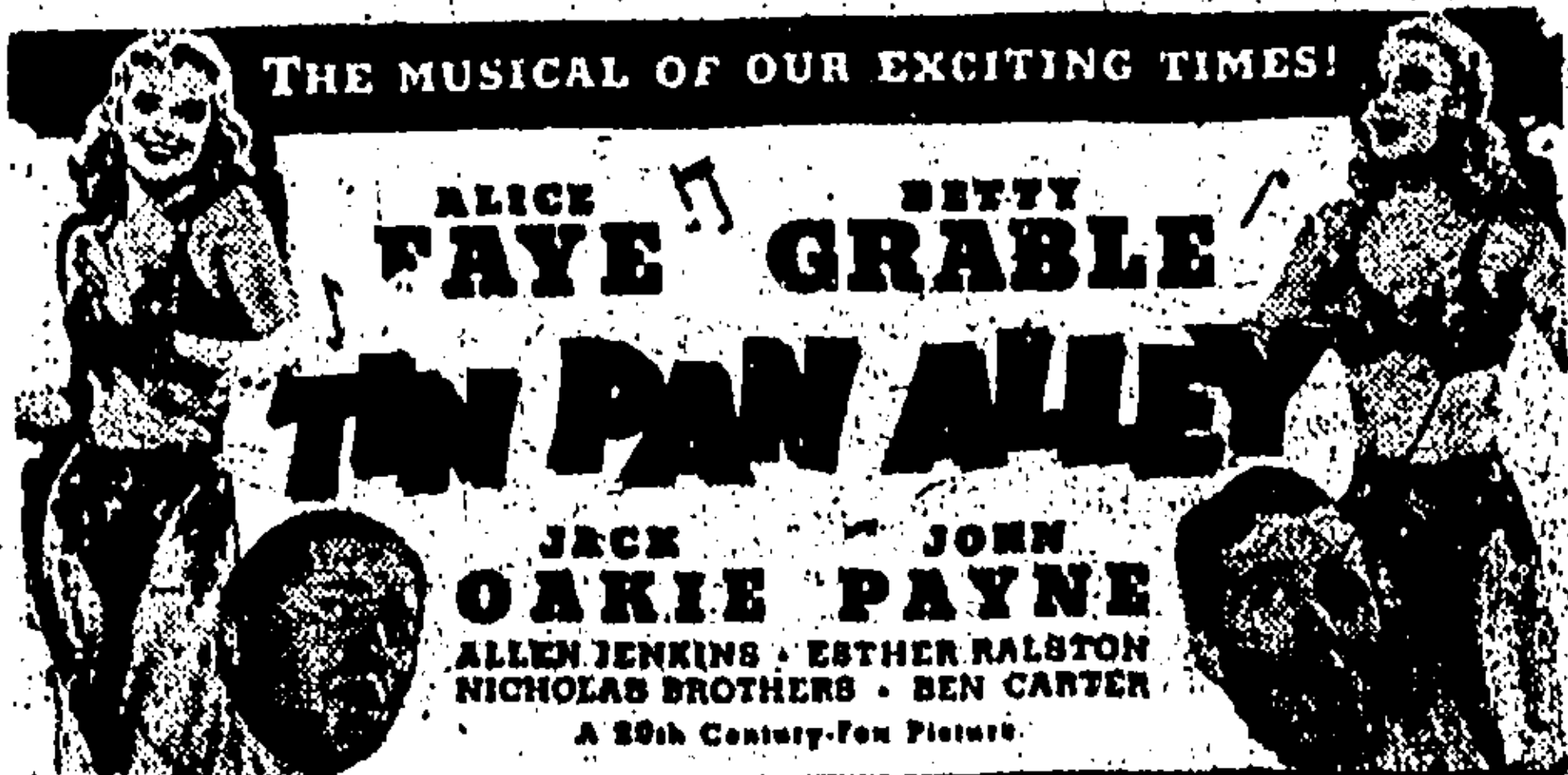


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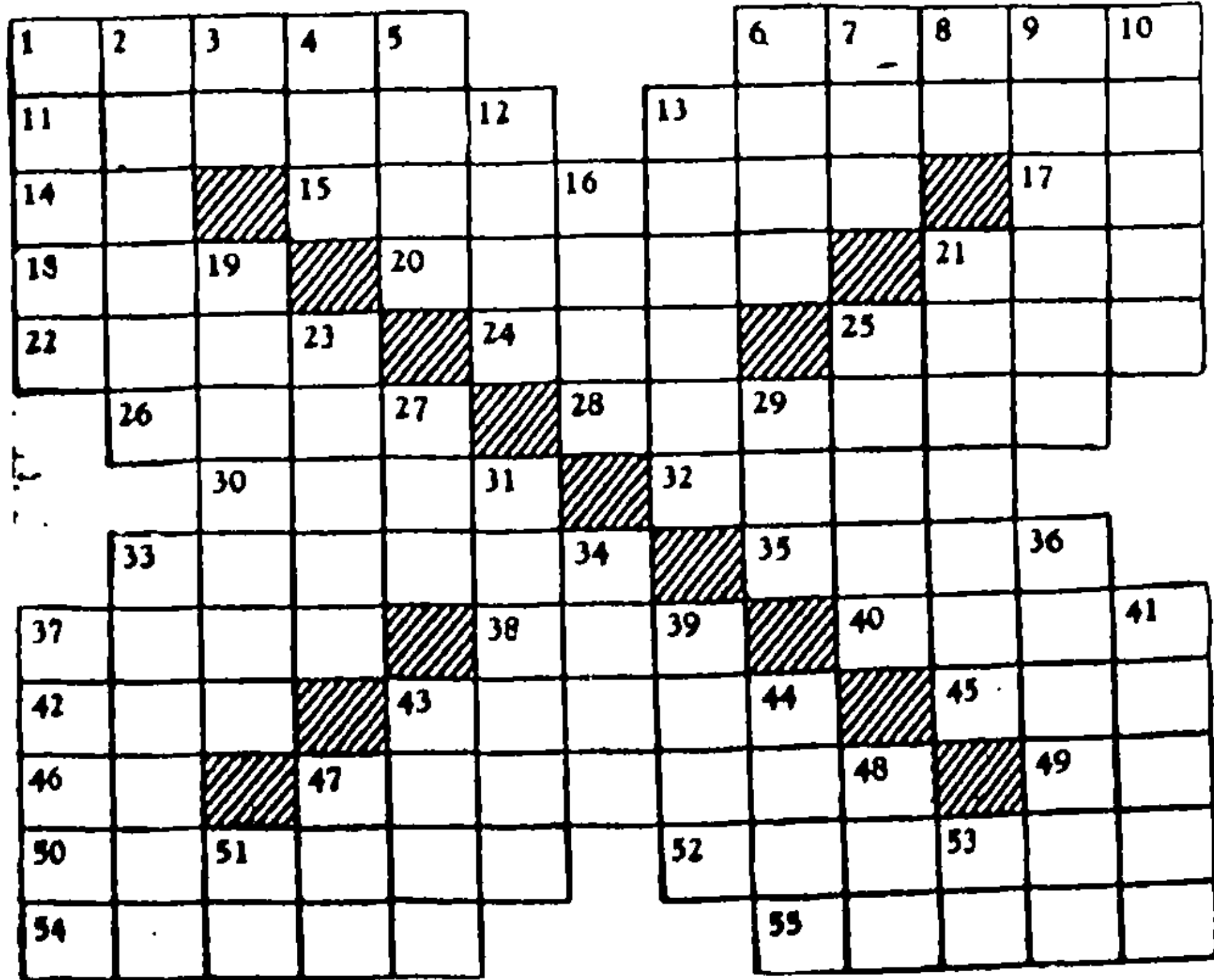
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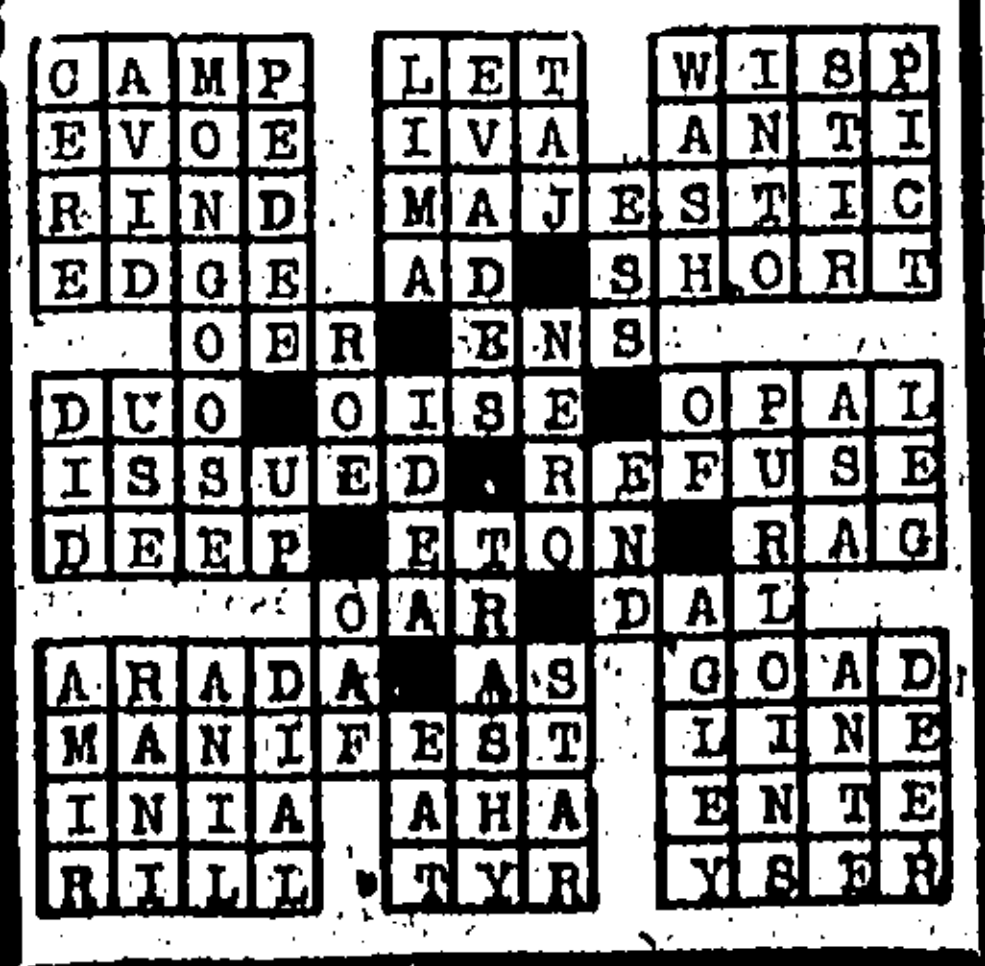
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pertaining to the doctrines of Arius
- 6 To think
- 11 Foremen
- 13 Permitted to live
- 14 Hebrew month
- 15 Force
- 17 Japanese measure
- 18 Digit
- 20 Fertile spots
- 21 Swordsman's dummy stake
- 22 To engrave
- 24 Sailor
- 25 Great lake
- 26 Store
- 28 Not discharged, as a debt
- 30 Bacchanalian cry
- 32 Except
- 33 Guaranty
- 35 Remainder
- 37 Implement
- 38 Unit
- 40 To check
- 42 Female fowl
- 43 Saltpetre

VERTICAL

- 1 To diminish
- 2 Mechanical men
- 3 Exists
- 4 Edible mollusk
- 5 Jules Verne character

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



- 6 Literary work
- 7 Dance step
- 8 Symbol for iridium
- 9 Sea-nymph
- 10 Roman magistrate
- 12 Quarrel
- 13 Aft part of a ship (pl.)
- 16 Son of Isaac
- 19 Arrangement of troops in the form of steps
- 21 Clergymen
- 23 Hut
- 25 Roof edges
- 27 Seed container
- 29 Equality
- 31 Self-interested person
- 33 Pertaining to verse
- 34 Heraldic device
- 36 Delicate
- 37 Dull, heavy sounds
- 39 Eagles
- 41 Servant-girls
- 43 Cape
- 44 Short jacket
- 47 To soak
- 48 To petition
- 51 To depart
- 53 Sun god

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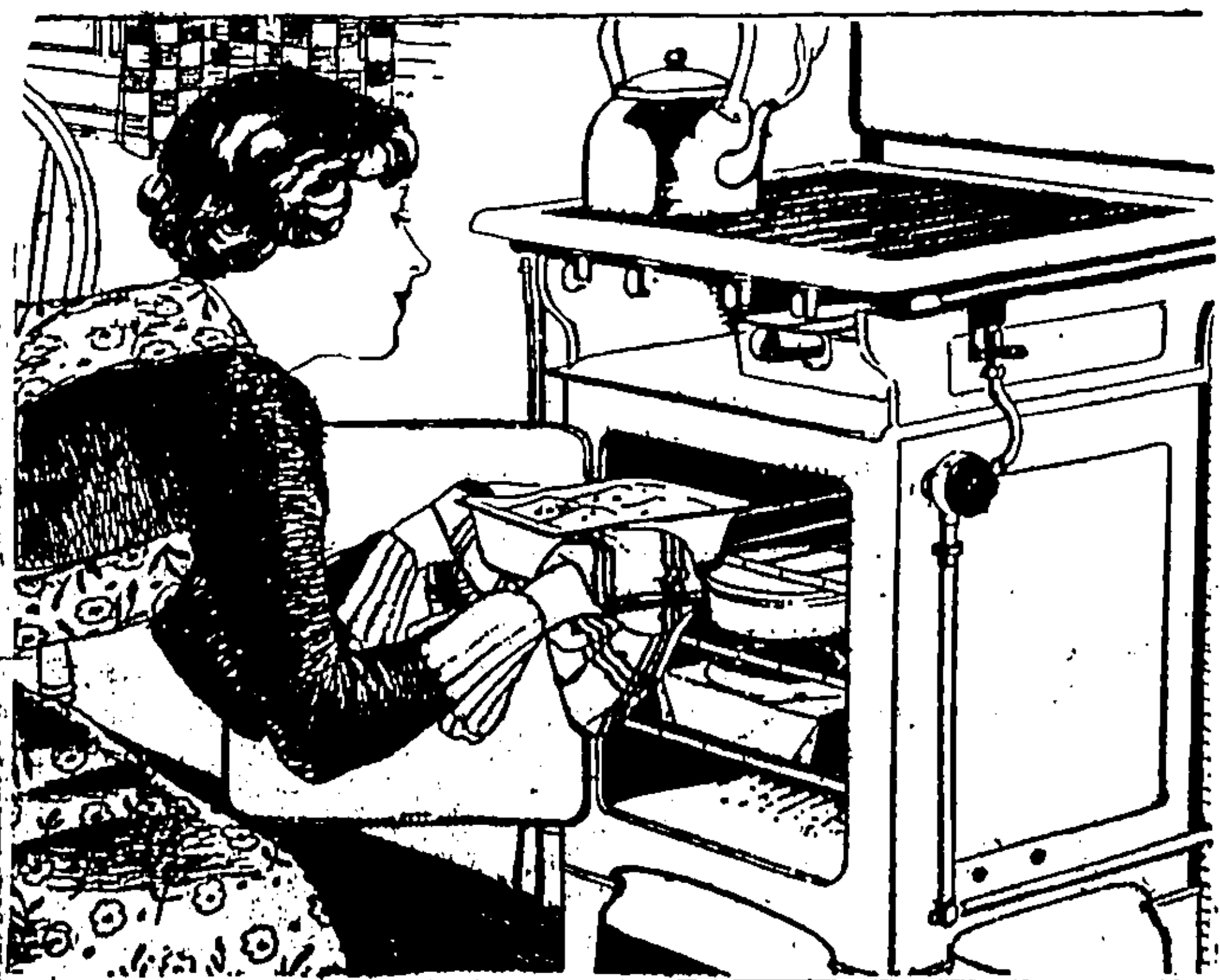
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HAW-HAW'S FATHER DIES

MR. MICHAEL JOYCE, father of "Lord Haw-Haw," William Joyce, the Nazi Broadcaster, has died broken-hearted at his home in Underhill Road, East Dulwich.

He never forgave his son for being a traitor.

Shortly before his death he was chopping wood in his garden.

Death was due to heart disease, and the Camberwell coroner (Dr. W. H. Whitehouse) has decided that an inquest will be unnecessary.

Mr. Joyce was recently bombed out of his former home in another district.

It was a bitter blow to Michael Joyce when his son was revealed to be the Nazi broadcaster.

He refused to say anything for publication, but privately, he said: "He may have been my son, but he is no more. I disown him. I have not heard of him since he went to Germany about a year before war broke out."

When it was suggested he should listen to the German wireless to identify the voice conclusively as that of his son, he replied, "No, I couldn't bear it."

Son's Latest

On the day that his father's death was announced it was revealed that Lord Haw-Haw had added to his works by writing a book about Britain.

"Twilight Over England" is its title; it is 80,000 words long.

The book has not yet been exposed for sale in Germany.

There is only one copy in the English-speaking world, and it was taken to the United States from Berlin.

HE'S BILLETED ON HIS WIFE

Corporal Charles Curtis is billeted on his wife. His mess is ten doors away.

Service men receive a bigger ration allowance than civilians so every day you will see Corporal Curtis turning into the mess for his meals.

His wife receives a billeting allowance of 5s. a week.

When Corporal Curtis—he's in the Royal Engineers—returned from France he was sent to a university town.

Later he was transferred to his home town. That was a pleasant surprise.

Then he learned he was billeted in his own home. He was staggered.

This is what the Corporal has to say about it:—

"It is fine while it lasts, but you never know what minute I will be shifted again."

"I'm preparing the garden for the spring sowing."

This is what his wife says:—

"I suppose I am the luckiest woman in the country."

"The old man's round the corner and at home at the same time, so to speak."

BALBO WAS MURDERED

An extraordinary war document is published in Egypt to-day.

It is a charge sheet issued by the Italian Gestapo against an Italian soldier, Nicola Russo, who was convalescing in Italy last year on his return from Tobruk.

The charge declares that Russo was heard to say to fellow passengers:—

"Marshal Balbo was flying over Tobruk when twenty-seven Ack-ack guns from the garrison opened up on him. He deserved his death anyway. The Fascist radio and Press have been telling the people that Fascist commanders die heroically. Actually this propaganda was used to hide Balbo's errors."

This is the first strong evidence seen that Balbo was deliberately shot down. The document was found in Libya.

REFUGEES CAPITALISING THEIR FURS

Chinchilla fur in London is almost as rare as an onion—but I was shown a chinchilla cape, a lovely thing that cost originally about £6,000 in London, writes Corisande.

It was for sale but not at that price, or anything approaching it.

The owner, I was told, would probably think herself lucky, if she got £750.

The furrier, showing a collection of furs, worth about £10,000, explained that the only capital of many refugees from Belgium and occupied France was represented by their furs.

"They are now," he said, "trying to capitalise these."

We went through a row of fur wraps each one perfect in its way, on a rail.

Among them was a £2,000 Russian sable stole.

Someone may pick it up for £150, or even less.

A sable cape may bring the owner a couple of hundred though its original value ran into four figures. A £750 broadtail coat may fetch £75, or £100 if the owner is lucky.

Some firms have no objection to showing these furs to their customers on the off chance of affecting a sale.

There is always commission, which is valuable these hard times, even if it does not amount to the same as profits on the sale of a new garment of the same type.

BOYS IN GUN BATTLE

Police squads from three towns used tear-gas and "Tommy" guns in a four-hour gun-battle at a barricaded bungalow near Echo Lake, New Jersey, the other day.

Yet they failed to dislodge the gang, whose trail of theft and hold-ups they had been following for three days, until the fugitives' ammunition had run out.

Then out staggered the gang, unarmed and holding their hands above their heads—two slight, frail schoolboys, both rather under-sized for their 14 years.

Armed-to-the-teeth policemen who thought they had been shooting it out with a gang of the Dillinger class, took into custody Master William Hunter and Master Emmett Jones.

Held Up Stores

The boys had started their "crime-wave" on Friday. Since then they had stolen 14 motor-cars (including a fireman's car and a police car), five rifles, three shot-guns, five hunting knives, a bayonet, a hatchet, and 600 rounds of ammunition.

They had held up stores and robbed them of tinned food, clothes, and cigarettes.

Knowing that the police were tracking them down, they decided to fight it out, and barricaded the building. When the triple posse arrived the boys shouted, "Come and get us! We aren't yellow!"

ONE POUND STERLING

John Rose, described as a commercial traveller, of Stanley Park Road, Carshalton, Surrey, stood on his doorsteps and fired a Colt revolver at a German plane during an air raid.

He was fined £1 for the shot and £10 for being in possession of firearms. The pistol was confiscated.

BELGIAN PATRIOT EXECUTED

The "Nouveau Journal," a newspaper started by the Germans in Brussels, announces that a patriot in Ghent has been sentenced to death for sabotage against the German Army, and that the sentence has been carried out.

Up to now the Germans, anxious to avoid feeding the flames of Belgian hatred towards them, have refrained from giving great publicity to executions of Belgians for anti-German activity. There have been 110 cases of sabotage of telephone lines in Belgium between May, 1940, and January, 1941, and the Germans merely stated that hostages had been taken in consequence. They now seem to think that they will frighten the Belgians into obedience by publishing the sentences which they inflict.

The Belgian whose execution is now announced was a skinner named Cours-Remy. He was charged with damaging installations belonging to the German Army and cutting and removing telephone lines. He carried out three extremely daring plans and on two occasions was fired at by German sentries while engaged on his destructive errand. The third time he was arrested. Plucky actions of this kind are not uncommon in Belgium. The German Press itself has stated that a German soldier on guard in a hotel in the Grand Place at Ypres was assaulted by three civilians. As the guilty parties could not be found, a heavy fine was inflicted on the town. A fortnight later three Belgians were arrested by the German police because their names fitted some initials in a single hat found on the spot. The newspapers under German control reported this example of Nazi police logic with a wealth of detail.

BLONDE BEAUTY ROAMS FOREST

Police and forest rangers near Las Vegas, New Mexico (cables a "Daily Mirror" correspondent), are looking for a "wild blonde beauty" who has been reported roaming the forest trails clad only in an animal skin.

Several motorists touring the lonely roads say they have seen a young, shapely girl armed with a club who fled at their approach.

One driver managed to get close enough to speak to her. She cried to him: "Why don't you go away and let me live my life as I want to?" Then she fled into the dense underbrush.

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THE ROAD TO VICTORY

The campaign in Greece, bitter as the outcome may be, has shown the world not excluding the Germans, that man for man the Imperial and British troops will never bend the knee to the Germans. It has been calculated that the Allied forces have been opposed by forces with a superiority of not only three to one in numbers, but by far greater strength in tanks, aeroplanes, etc., which means that though, as Mr. Churchill said, "wars are not won by retreats, however brave and masterly," the British nation can look to victory when the odds are somewhat more even.

It is well to remember this when set-backs come and disappointment follows so closely on the heels of elation.

The potential strength of the democracies is incalculable and certainly vastly superior to anything the German people can put into the field.

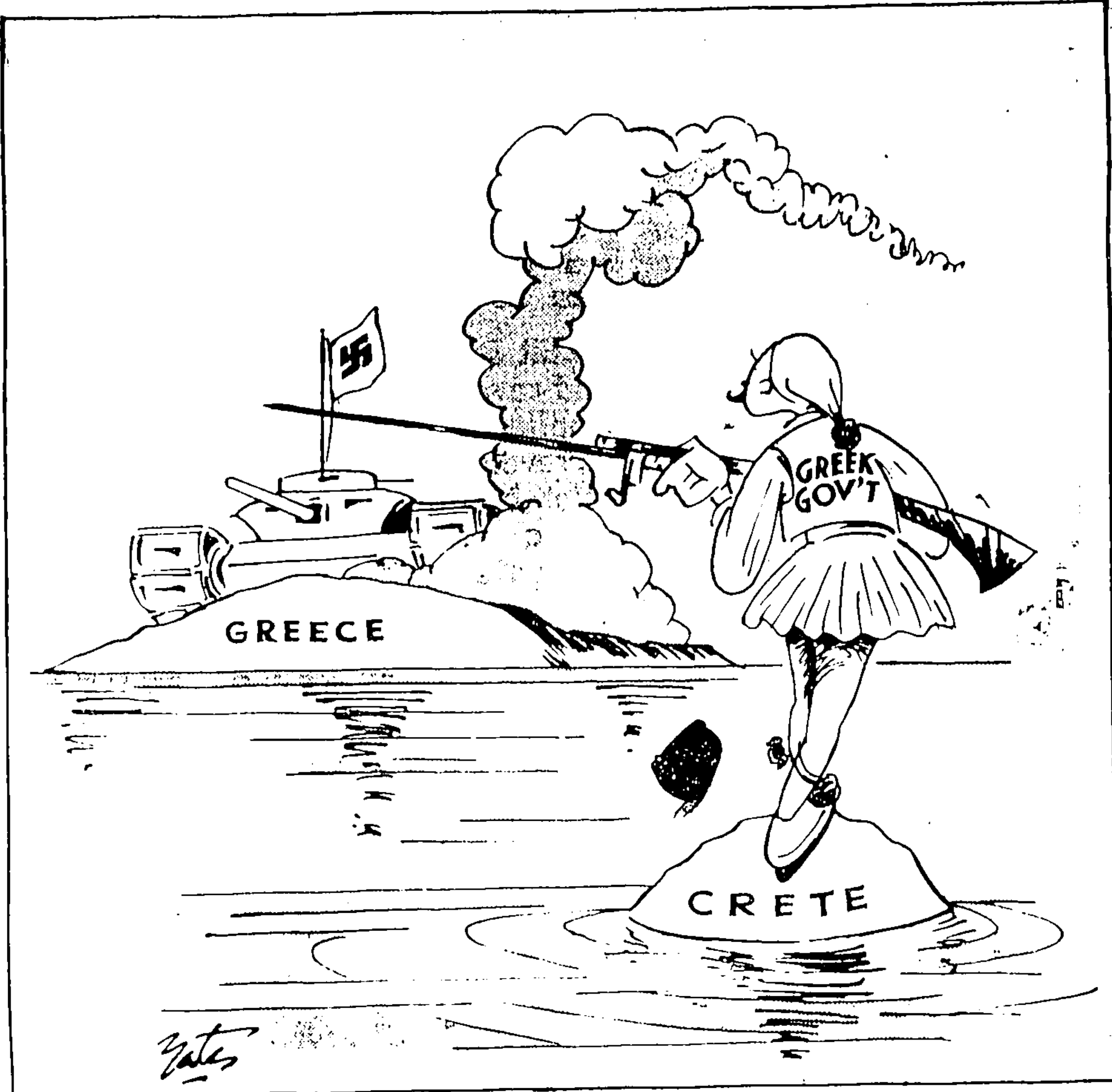
The question is how long will it take before "the years the locusts have eaten" to use Mr. Amery's words, are retrieved?

It is not only the United States and Britain who have allowed precious years to slide away unheeded; but bitter as the thought may be to-day, it is not fruitless if it brings realisation that the war effort must be continued with renewed determination, energy and unity.

Defeatism, even if unvoiced, is the heaviest spoke in Britain's production wheel and, conversely, the most powerful weapon in support of Hitler's bag of tricks.

Fortunately, President Roosevelt fully appreciates the necessity of getting supplies to Britain even faster than United States factories can produce them.

Industry is making great strides, but at the moment Congress is debating the legality of disposing of existing equipment, such as ships anchored in American ports. The question of transportation is one of paramount importance and, though anxiety to get things moving as efficiently and as fast as human ingenuity can make them, the slow preliminary grinding of democratic wheels cannot be hurried. When once they are set into motion, their impetus is, however, winged by the united efforts of a free people.



THE NEW XERXES

Preaching Hatred In France

After conquest comes conversion. So thinks any nation with a crusading complex and Germany has this complex. Once her foe was beaten she entered on this second phase of the battle for France. She must convert and convert quickly; the people of France were on their knees and she must keep them there: keep them to worship Hitler's twisted cross held up before their eyes; France must forget the false gods who had led her astray, they were British gods.

In the first humiliating weeks that followed the defeat the French seemed to waver and to listen, they no longer believed in themselves so why not believe in the Germans. They judged themselves so severely that there seemed to be no room in their hearts for hating their conquerors. It was hard to listen to men and women from every walk of life saying to me, a foreigner:

"I am ashamed to be French. I want to leave France. I want to be French no longer."

This was the dangerous moment.

That moment has passed. I am glad that I stayed in France. I am glad that I lived five months in Paris under the Germans and saw the French spirit revive. I am glad I stood in the food queues and heard the women ask me for news of England and whether she could hold out—for their sakes too. And I liked it when the butcher (there still was meat to be had in those days) wiped his hand on his apron and shook mine on the day after Election Day and said:

"Congratulations, Madame, we have Roosevelt!"

Germany at first chose to pay France the compliment of soft words. She begged France to understand her, to believe in her. But she soon dropped this wooing and decided that instead of making her victim love her it was easier to make her hate England. The German press had long tried to wean France from the doctrines of England, now the German dictated press in Paris took up the cry.

The citizens of Paris showed a certain aversion to these papers, many people said to me:

"I never read a paper any more, what is the use, they all come from Berlin."

But though they avoided the papers they could not escape the written word of Joseph Goebbels' gospel. Every wall was pasted with poster propaganda against England. Every subway station displayed a drawing of a drown-

ing French sailor, who clutched in his hand a French flag and who begged the passerby not to forget Oran—"N'oubliez pas Oran," keeping alive the memory of the British attack on the French fleet there. Immediately the word Oran was torn off or obliterated, leaving only the phrase: "Do not forget." An ambiguous phrase which could be taken another way.

Then when the French got tired of heroic phrases they expressed their contempt of these placards by writing on them obscene words common to all languages. There are penalties for tampering with this propaganda and French police must enforce the law. But policemen and subway guards are on the street after curfew hours when other men are at home: it is a significant fact that the posters near the police stations and in the subways are the most defaced.

The Germans have discovered three convenient French martyrs, victims of England, and have trotted them out for the new cult.

First comes Napoleon Bonaparte; he also had a plan for a united Europe. His idea has been taken over by Hitler. The French are reminded by newspaper and poster that the sun of Napoleon went down on St. Helena, that British isle of her Empire, on which England has always boasted the sun never sets. Hitler on his first visit to Paris, stood for a long while in emotional contemplation before Napoleon's tomb, and remarked afterward that it was not magnificent enough, the French should have given him a more decent burial.

Germany next made use of the Unknown Soldier, that great sacrifice of the last war. His grave is never without German flowers, and German soldiers endlessly photograph other German soldiers standing beside it in devout or military attitudes. The conquering army on June 14 did not march through the Arc de Triomphe and over the grave as the French expected them to do, they skirted it. And Hitler has knelt too before the Unknown Soldier.

The third and most glorious is Joan of Arc, greatest pride of the French nation. She drove the English from France and was reviled and burned by them. Therefore she is dear to Hitler's heart.

These are the three martyrs chosen by the victors to drive their point home.

In September of last year the Germans opened a free exhibition of what they called the horrors of Freemasonry and Semitism. Long Swastika banners clothed every pillar at the entrance of the Petit Palais.

The Freemasons had been dissolved, the Grand Lodges and their furnishings and documents assembled. The furniture from the lodges looked drab and sadly theatrical in the light of day. The grand masters' thrones, the treasurers' desks and swords, the aprons, the emblems were all exposed. Skeletons placed in dark corners fascinated the troops of school children who were brought to stare and wonder. Visitors' books from the lodges were shown, their pages turned to where were written the signatures of former Premiers Blum, Daladier and other men accused of the fall of France. One exhibition booth was devoted to Philippe Egalite, once King of France, and another to the Rothschild family, Freemasons all. At every turn printed propaganda told the French that Freemasonry and Semitism had lost them their country.

People who entered the exposition, frankly curious and with solemn faces, remained to snicker at the obvious propaganda. They dared not express themselves very openly, at almost every exhibit there were evil-looking little men, idle and with an eavesdropping air. Agents keeping their fingers on the French pulse.

On the whole, the French were cynical and amused at the whole thing—until they came to the last room of all, and there they did not smile. On one side of the exit door was a heroic statue of Joan of Arc with fresh laurels at her feet. Above her head was a sign, it said: "Holy Joan of Arc, who drove out the enemy. Come once again to the rescue of France!" And there was no mistake as to which enemy was meant. Beside the statue were copies of English charges against Joan, and their order for her execution.

On the other side of the door stood the tricolour, gold-fringed and also laureled; the flag which is allowed to be flown nowhere in occupied France. And a sign said: "Frenchmen, pause. Before leaving this building salute your flag!"

Not a Frenchman saluted; they hurried past, anger in their faces at the use the Nazis were making of the French flag. German propaganda had misled fire again.

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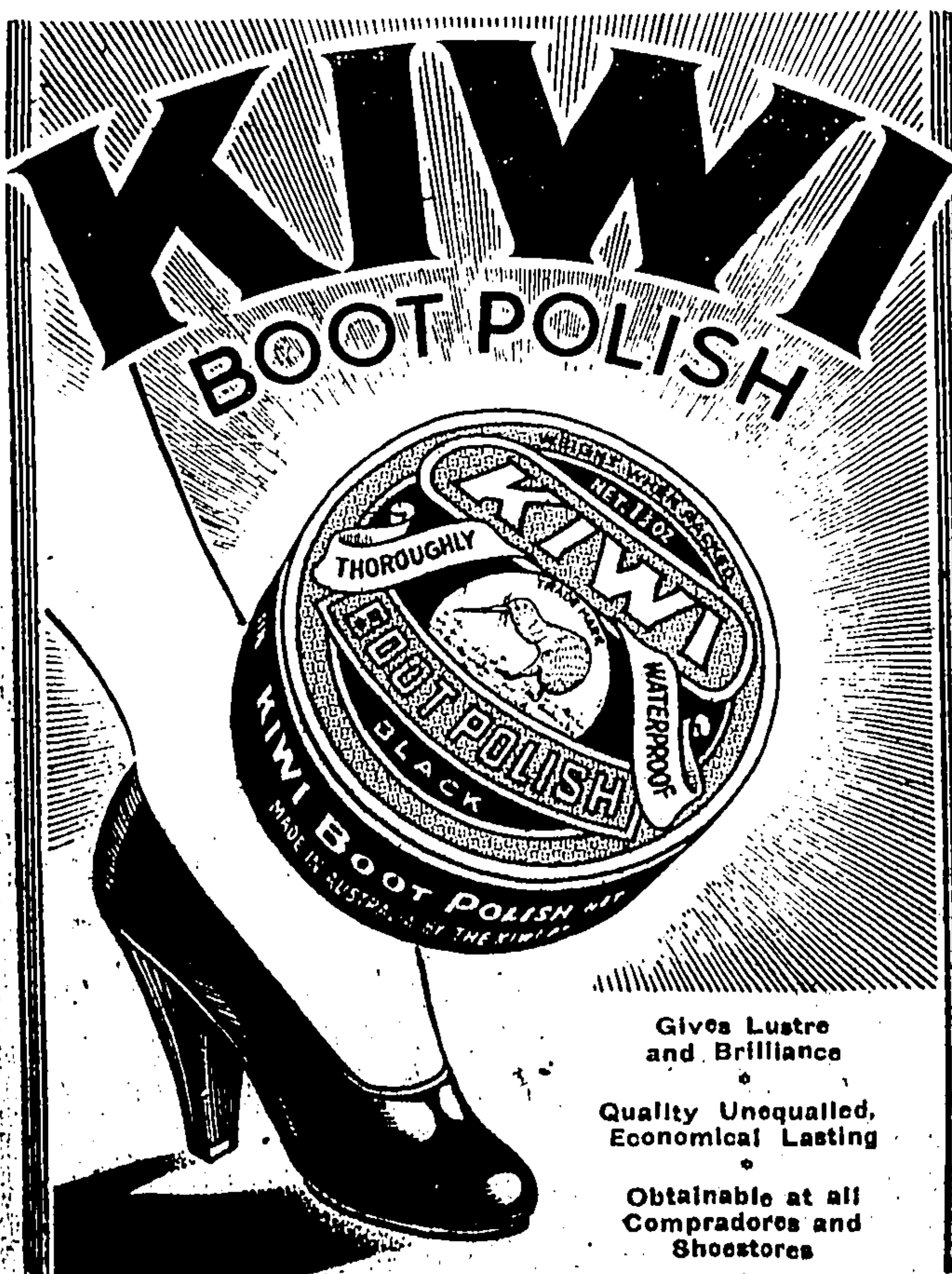
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HITLER EXPECTED WALES WOULD REVOLT

HITLER BELIEVED that the Welsh people would revolt when war broke out if they were supplied with arms by the Nazis.

This revelation was made to the "Sunday Chronicle" by Lady Rhys Williams when she described an amazing scene with Frau von Dirksen, wife of the last German Ambassador.

She actually tried to enlist Lady Rhys Williams as a "Fifth Columnist."

Dominated The Party

Lady Williams, who is a daughter of Elinor Glyn the novelist, said:

"My mother, who often entertained diplomats and their wives, gave a party at her Mayfair flat a few months after the Munich crisis."

"As soon as the German woman arrived, she tried to dominate the party in true dictator fashion. In a very loud voice she talked Nazi propaganda, giving us a non-stop lecture on her 'miraculous' 'Cherland'."

"Then suddenly, this horrid, enormous woman got me in a corner and flattened me against the wall. She told me Hitler was sure there would be a revolt in Wales if war broke out."

Continuing to shout Lady Williams down, Frau von Dirksen said: "If we Nazis supplied arms to the Welsh miners and unemployed in the distressed areas, they are certain to overthrow the British Government."

Her Search For Traitors

"She was attempting to discover whether we would make good Fifth Column recruits."

"All the guests thought it was an atrocious display of bad manners. She even warned us that if Britain didn't submit it would be crushed under the Nazi heel."

Lady Williams stood for Parliament eight days after the birth of her last child.

She toiled for years in the distressed areas, and received the D.B.E. last year for her work for maternity services. She recently left the W.A.A.F.s to become Commandant of a Red Cross hospital for wounded soldiers.

"My eldest son, who is 19, left Eton, and is now at Sandhurst training for an Army commission," Lady Williams added.

"Welsh Are Patriotic"

My 17-years-old daughter is a hospital secretary, and the rest of the Welsh people are as patriotic and brave as anyone in the world. What a hope the Nazis have!"

Frau von Dirksen was not the only Nazi to believe that years of depression and hardship had made the Welsh possible traitors. Ribbentrop, who spent much time in Wales, held a similar belief.

Wales has refuted that notion by contributing nearly 350,000 men to the Forces.

TOASTED DEAD AMID JAZZ

The bar of a fashionable club at Brighton was crowded with smartly-dressed girls. A dance band was playing.

Dancers were waltzing as the swing doors admitted a middle-aged couple.

Both were dressed in deep mourning. They had come straight from a funeral.

"Three glasses of your best port," ordered the man. "We want to drink a toast," he explained.

"She always drank port, always the best port," he told the girl. The couple drained their glasses and, without explanation, left.

But a club acquaintance of the wife said: "The dead woman was the man's greatest friend. One night a bomb crashed on her flat."

ONE HAM £7—IN FRANCE

Travellers reaching the United States from Occupied France say that food prices there are rising at an alarming rate.

A single ham brought into Paris from the country was sold for £7.

Parisians were unable to get coal in the bitterly cold weather. Large numbers died through inadequate heating.

The Germans have made a rule on the Paris Underground that the first-class carriages are reserved solely for German troops. French people are allowed to travel only second class. There is no third class.

One traveller, referring to the impression made in German-dominated Europe by the British successes in Africa, said:

"One hears even German soldiers now seriously discussing the possibility of the British conquest of the whole of Africa being completed by March 15, and that immediately afterwards Britain will employ her African force of 200,000 men for an invasion of the Italian mainland."

Coast Forts

Other travellers report that Hitler has ordered the building of a line of fortresses, similar to the Siegfried Line along the French Channel coast in preparation for the day when Britain's counter-attacking armies invade the Continent.

The defensive line is stated to run along the coast from behind Abbeville, Boulogne, Calais, Dunkirk, and up to Antwerp.

Equipment removed from the dismantled Maginot Line is being used in the Channel coast defences.

In certain regions a considerable distance from the coast large numbers of the French civilian population have been ordered to move back into the interior of France.

CAIRO'S PROPHET SAYS

Victory Early In 1942

The prophet astrologer Mohamed el Hariri, whose war predictions, including the fall of Benghazi, the rout of France and Italy's entry into the war, have made him famous throughout the Near East, issued on February 16, these further prophecies for the next few months:

(1) The greatest naval battle yet seen in this war will take place shortly in Italian waters, resulting in the overwhelming victory of the British Fleet.

(2) The Navy, helped by the R.A.F., will effectively prevent the transportation of Nazi troops to Africa.

(3) The French Cabinet will be reformed as Hitler wants it, but risings in France will cripple German activities there.

(4) The Nazis will smash through the Balkans, cross the Black Sea, and land in Iran, creating a state of "extreme tension" between the Nazis, the Turks and Soviet Russia.

(5) The Nazis will lose a large number of aeroplanes in the Eastern Mediterranean.

(6) England will again be the target of mass raids, but will show the same heroic resistance. These raids will prove even more costly to Hitler than those of last year.

(7) Uprisings and disturbances will occur throughout Nazi-occupied Europe.

(8) Japan will declare war on Great Britain and America. South-east Asia will become a vast battlefield.

(9) The entry of the United States into the war will have a decisive effect on the Axis Powers, whose star will soon be waning.

The prophet declares that the Axis will ask for an armistice early in 1942.

MOTHER OF 15 IS PORTER

A mother of fifteen children is among thirty women engaged as goods porters by the L.M.S. at Nottingham.

She is Mrs. Russell, of Reverley Street, Nottingham. She was a porter during the last war.

BOYS' FIREWOOD IS BUILDING SPITFIRES

(By A Special Correspondent)

THREE SCHOOLBOYS have started a new "craze" in their district. Reginald Wells, aged ten, his brother, Geoffrey, eight, and their friend, John Huckstep, also aged eight, set out to bring home some firewood which they collected from a heap of bomb debris.

They used Reginald's soap-box and as they were homeward bound along Sulina Road, Brixton, where they all live, neighbours saw the pile of wood tied to the barrow and asked the boys to bring them some, too.

In a day or two the three boys were doing a trade. For each load they brought, they received a few coppers. One of their tips was a shilling.

Then Reginald had a bright idea. "Let's collect for the Spitfire Fund," he said. The others agreed.

In three weeks, by hard work, they had raised 15s. 6d.

Then, just as they were crossing Streatham Hill with a heavy load of wood, the soapbox collapsed. So the boys sent the money they had collected to Lord Beaverbrook.

Meanwhile, John's father made another barrow. But news of their venture has spread in the neighbourhood and they find they have rivals.

"In the last week we have raised only just over a shilling," Reginald told me. "The other boys are collecting as well."

John chimed in: "But we are still going to carry on. We want to raise enough for a whole Spitfire if we can!"

Geoffrey has his own ideas. "I am going to build a Spitfire of my own," he said.

SOLDIER TAUGHT STAR TO BE HIS DOUBLE

BESIDE THE FILM SET of a trapper's hut in the Arctic Circle a young French-Canadian soldier in uniform recently watched his pupil — film star Laurence Olivier — with pride.

He had reason. For he was seeing Laurence Olivier play the final scenes of the role of trapper and fur trader in which the French-Canadian soldier had coached him.

The soldier is Corporal Tony Ontraet, whose home is at Tuk Tuk, Eskimo village in the Arctic Circle.

The film in which the soldier was technical adviser is "49th Parallel," a boost-Britain film to the cost of which the Ministry of Information advanced £22,000 of public money.

Its propaganda value is that it tells dramatically of how Canadians not of British birth rallied to the British cause when war came.

The story deals with the venture of a German submarine crew wrecked on the Canadian coast and of their attempts to make their way over the 49th Parallel, the frontier line between Canada and the United States.

The company secured the loan of Ontraet as technical adviser, and he left camp to live at Denham Studios, Bucks.

"I'm a trapper in peace-time," he said. "In winter I trap anything that has a dollar in it: foxes, wolves, wolverines, and grizzly and polar bears. I trade with the Eskimos and the Indians."

Land Of No Night

"In summer I prospect for gold and radium."

"Often times I go nine months without seeing a white man. In summer it's the land of no night. The sun never sets, so there's no regular bedtime. I just go to sleep when I get to feeling tired."

"Life was going on smooth until one day I heard on a radio that war had started. Well, sir, I just left everything, pulled out right away to join up."

"I travelled 1,400 miles by boat and flew the rest to Edmonton. I was travelling thirty-four days."

"This film job was a lot of fun. You should see my fan mail! The girls want to know what I look like."

"I had to teach Olivier how to shape his mouth to speak French-Canadian, and tell him how they dress, even how they cut their tobacco and fill their pipes. I suggested a little song they sing. It's in the film."

I said to Laurence Olivier, after the scene, "Your tutor has given you an excellent school report."

Olivier laughed. "He was certainly a great help."

"CENSORED" HIS TOMBSTONE

Sir Walter Monckton, Director General of the Ministry of Information, told Harrow Schoolboys recently how he came across a Ministry censor who "appeared to be working," but was writing this "epitaph":

"Here at length in sweet repose A censor lies; but who, God knows, When raving Pressmen shot him dead, Filled, like his pencil, full of lead, Even in his grave, though, he was game, He rose and blackened out his name."

Sir Walter told the boys that the duty of the Ministry was to give the people news in a simple form.

ROYAL VENISON FOR EVACUEES

Windsor Great Park's Royal deer are being reduced by half as a war-time economy measure. The older animals are being gradually killed off, and, by command of the King, the venison is being distributed to evacuees in the district.

IF SIAMESE TWIN COMMITTED MURDER?

"What would be the legal result if one of the Siamese Twins committed murder while her sister was dozing?"

This question, first asked by a New York columnist, has set all the city arguing and puzzling. They are quarrelling about it in the cafes, offices, subways, clubs.

Could any Court acquit the murderess, even for the sake of her innocent twin, and thus allow the murderess again to menace society?

On the other hand, could any Court condemn the murderess to the electric chair or life imprisonment, thus sending her innocent twin also to this fate?

The question is even making lawyers dizzy.

"MRS. DOT" CAST

The Y.M.C.A. A.D.C. are making excellent progress with "Mrs. Dot," the Somerset Maugham farce, which will be presented in the West Lounge on May 1, 2 and 3 in aid of Y.M.C.A. War Charities.

Mrs. Dot, a wealthy and vivacious young widow, determined to "get her man" despite all obstacles, is played by Mrs. "Freddie" Dalziel. Mrs. Dalziel is a newcomer to the H.K. Stage, but was a keen A.D.C. fan at home, and handles her part with the same sparkle and efficiency that have made her so well known in local sporting circles.

As the young man at whom Mrs. Dot has set her cap, David Ingleby plays the part of Gerald Halstane, a hard-up bachelor who becomes Lord Holington and a man of means in the first act. Mr. Ingleby took part in many shows in England and is well known in Army entertainments in Hong Kong.

Ralph Dornier has a "made to measure" part as Jimmie Blenkinsop, the cynical millionaire bachelor friend of Holington, who collaborates with Mrs. Dot to hook the young man for his own good of course. "Rafe" needs no introduction to H.K. audiences; he is an old hand at the game, but never has he had a part which suited him better.

Freddie Perkins, Mrs. Dot's nephew and secretary, a light-hearted youngster of 22 who can read women at a glance (so he thinks), is played by Freddie Clemo. Freddie is too young to have many past successes to speak of, but his future in this respect looks bright indeed. Freddie has that "little something."

It may come as something of a surprise seeing Norah Witche as Lady Sellinger, an impecunious society dame who "cannot afford to be romantic when she has a

marriageable daughter," but Norah seems to enjoy the part thoroughly and handles it with skill and confidence.

Nettie Sellinger, "the marriageable daughter" is played by Peggy Sharp, who looks just as sweet as she is meant to be.

The smaller parts are in very capable hands: Wm. Kirby is the perfect man-servant as Charles, Halstane's right hand man; Rita Cole takes the part of Mrs. Dot's Aunt Eliza, an amiable, sensible person who sees much and says little; Bill Colledge is Mr. Rixon, the fussy solicitor; Frank Willis, the dunning tailor; and Lewin Benn, valet to Blenkinsop.

Booking plans are now open at Anderson Music Co., and the Y.M.C.A. and tickets are priced at \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$3.00.

Servicemen will be admitted to Thursday night's performance at half price.

LIKES CAVE LIFE--- NEVER GOES OUT

(By A Special Correspondent)

CAVE LIFE SUITS a woman, bombed out of her home, so well that she has not been out for three months.

She is Mrs. Kate Thorpe, eighty-five, one of the 4,000 people who sleep nightly in the caves at Chislehurst, Kent. Many of these people have no homes now. But the caves have modern attractions:—A cinema, kitchens, canteens and electric light. Washing accommodation is being installed.

When the men go to work, the women spend the day tidying their furniture, preparing meals, caring for the children, mending and knitting, and only go out for a walk in the afternoon sunlight.

But Mrs. Thorpe sits all day in the dim candlelight. She has not left her pitch for three months. "I was bombed out of my home in Peckham," she says.

At first she used to take daily walks in the fresh air. "But now I never go outside," she said.

"For twelve weeks I've not seen the daylight. The air raids affected my nerves, and I can't walk far. Besides, it's cosy here."

Mrs. Thorpe is looked after by her niece, Mrs. Rayner.

"I stay in here with her most of the time," said Mrs. Rayner. "Just nip out for a few minutes' fresh air to get the food."

Mrs. Finley is one of the oldest inhabitants. She came to live in the caves at the beginning of September.

Pride of all shelterers is "Sunshine Alley." This is a cave where a dozen families sleep.

They have cleaned it and laid linoleum on the floor, hung up rugs and curtains.

GONE ARE THE HORSE AND CARRIAGE



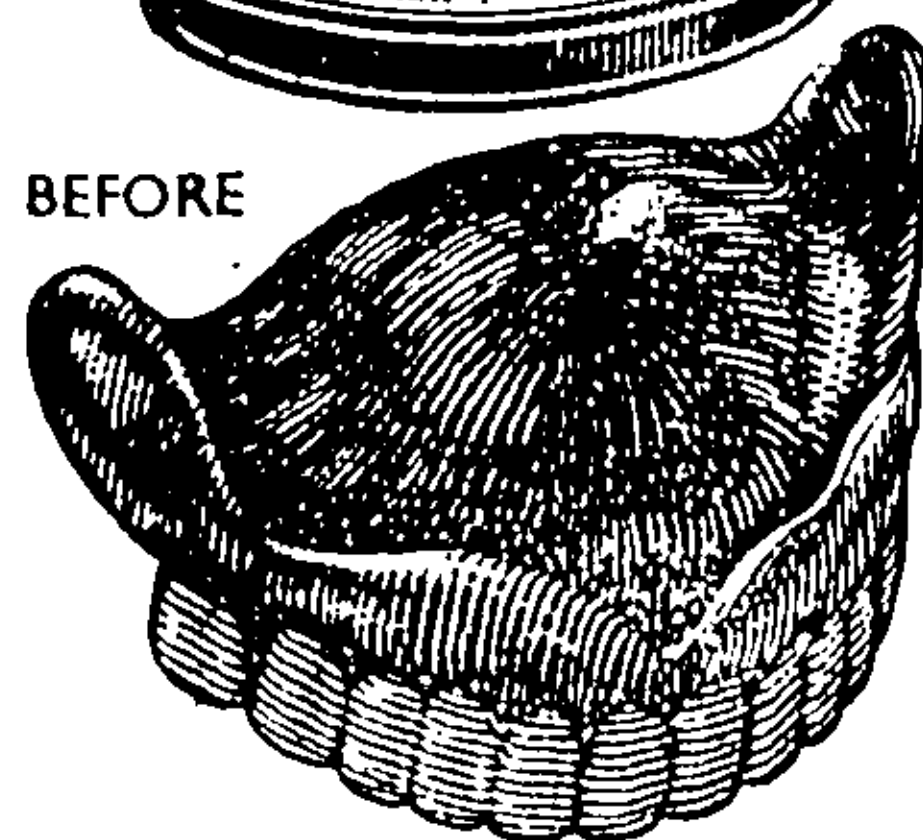
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THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 26th April, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

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By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 21st April, 1941.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

JOHN V. BRAGA

Acting Secretary
Hong Kong, 23rd April, 1941

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By Order of the Committee,

LOWE, BINGHAM &
MATTHEWS,
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Hong Kong, 25th April, 1941.

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BRIDGE NOTES

PLAYING SAFE

By The Four Aces

To-day's hand, a good demonstration of careful play, was played by George Rapee, son of the famous orchestra conductor, and one of the younger bridge stars.

South, Dealer

East West vulnerable

♠ 8 4 3
♥ A J 8
♦ A Q J 8 7
♣ 7 5

♠ K Q J 5
♥ K 10 7 2
♦ 5 4
♣ K 6 2

♠ 10 9 7 6
♥ 2
♦ 3
♣ K 6 3

♠ 10 9 8 4
♥ 3
♦ K 6 3
♣ 10 9 8 4

♠ A
♥ Q 9 6 5 4
♦ 10 9 2
♣ A Q J 3

Mr. Rapee

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	1♠	2♣	2♠
Pass	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the King of spades, and Mr. Rapee won with the Ace. He then led a low heart and successfully finessed dummy's Jack. A club finesse next lost to West's King, and the spade return forced South to ruff. Now the six of hearts was led.

HIGH CARD VALUES OF THE FOUR-ACES SYSTEM

ACE...3
KING...2
QUEEN...1
JACK...1/2

West played the seven, and dummy finessed the eight!

The reason for this deep finesse was that if East could win the trick, there would be only one trump left out, and the trump Ace could pick that up whenever South waited to do so. And if East couldn't win the tricks as was the case, the finesse was necessary to avoid the loss of two trump tricks. (West could have made the play much harder for Mr. Rapee by putting up the heart ten, but played the low heart in the hope that the trump Ace would be played.)

After winning the eight of hearts, Mr. Rapee abandoned trumps, returning to his hand with a club to lead the ten of diamonds. East properly refused to take his King, and the diamond ten held the trick. The nine of diamonds was then finessed, and East took his King. East then led ten of clubs, removing South's last high club.

A trump lead at this point would have lost the game for South, but he carefully led his last diamond. West could ruff, but could not prevent South from getting to dummy with the trump Ace to discard the losing club on a long diamond.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 10 7 6
♥ Q 5 4
♦ 8
♣ K J 9 8 3

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenker	You	Maler
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	(7)	

ANSWER: Bid three spades. That was the point of bidding two clubs at your last turn. By temporising first and then raising spades, you show a hand about midway between a single and a double raise.

Score 100% for three spades, 50% for four spades, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 700

To-day you are David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 10 7
♥ K 5 4
♦ 8
♣ A Q J 9 8 3

The bidding:

Burnstone	Jacoby	You	Schenker
1♠	Pass	(7)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

GASSED IN RUINS, WORKS ON

Eight people lay trapped in a bombed London house. Coal gas escaped amid the ruins, poisoning the air.

As he fought to free the victims a rescue worker received a severe electric shock. Later he fell gassed among the wreckage. He was dragged out, revived—and went back to his job.

Four people were got out alive. Work went on. Again the rescuer was gassed and collapsed. Again he refused to give in.

The rescuer who wouldn't be beaten—Bernard Joseph Bennie, of Lewisham—was honoured recently. He was one of several rescue workers awarded the George Medal.

Fire In Magazine

A higher award, the George Cross, goes to Leonard Henry Harrison, a civilian armament instructor of the Air Ministry, for conspicuous courage and devotion to duty in circumstances of exceptional danger.

Early last year a ship arrived in port with an unexploded German bomb wedged halfway through the main-deck. The bomb was fitted with a fuse of then unknown type. Harrison helped to make it harmless.

Born at Devonport in 1906, he lives at Moorings, Grimsby Road, Louth. He is married and has one son.

It is through his own initiative and private study that he has become an authority on the fuse and exploder systems in German bombs.

The British Empire Medal goes to a Coventry works manager, Ernest William Hancock, who, though injured, set an example of conduct and leadership in the blitz raid.

Miss Maude Steele, supervising telephonist at Sherborne, who receives the G.M., stuck to her exchange when bombs fell all around, causing many casualties and extensive damage. She inspired with her courage a temporary telephonist who remained with her and kept civil defence services in constant touch with their headquarters.

Bomb Expert

The George Medal is awarded to Sidney Eric Friend, factory press operator; Arthur James Foreman, fire brigade officer and Harry Taylor, fireman.

They entered a magazine containing sixty tons of cordite outside which two trucks of cordite had been fired by a bomb. They extinguished the blaze on the trucks and fought a fire inside the magazine.

Twelve other workers are awarded the G.M.

Edward Henry James Moore, a Remsate fireman, was wounded by a bomb and then machine-gunned, receiving three bullets in the left arm.

He could not carry his badly wounded colleague, a very big man to a first-aid post, but dragged him to shelter and then staggered 350 yards to the first aid post.

George Collier, a Coventry fire officer, climbed to the top of a building which collapsed. He was hurt but continued to put out fire bombs though on three occasions H.E. bombs actually exploded in the buildings in which he was working.

Last War Hero

Mr. J. C. Cunningham—another G.M.—was one of the twenty-nine officers who made probably the most spectacularly daring escape from a prison camp in the history of warfare in July, 1918.

By digging a tunnel 150ft. long underground, they secured their freedom from the reputedly escape-proof prison camp of Holzminden, in Hanover.

Mr. Cunningham, who was an acting captain in the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry at the time, was awarded the D.S.O. He is now forty-six, and a platoon commander in the Home Guard.

Output of warplanes in the United States for January was 1,002, double that of January, 1940. It is expected to reach 1,500 a month in May. Fighters were 60 per cent. of this total.

TRAMPS MAY HAVE TO WORK

The Government is being asked to round up tramps and conscript them into war work.

Local authorities throughout the country, alarmed at the ever-increasing number of men of military age now on "the road," are urgently pressing the Government to take this step.

Through their organisation the County Councils Association they have put forward the recommendation that "the Government departments concerned should be invested immediately with the necessary powers to remove able-bodied men from the roads and require them to perform some form of national service."

Some local authorities have gone further and suggested that all casual wards should be closed for the duration, and elderly vagrants required to enter an institution.

The County Councils Association believes that even where a casual is unfit for military service, he could be doing useful work in industry instead of being a liability to the country.

At a meeting of the Devon Joint Vagrancy Committee yesterday it was revealed that 106 men of military age were admitted to Devon casual wards last quarter.

It was stated that some casuals were using more than one identity card, with the possibility, also, of more than one ration book.

The meeting decided to bring the matter to the attention of the Registrar-General.

ONE STEP FORWARD 3 BACK

THE NEW TUSCANA WILL BE THE NOVELTY DANCE HIT OF THE SEASON.

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You just retreat! When the music grows tender You prepare to surrender! You simply turn about. Throw up your hands and shout. RE-TREAT!

One step — Forward ... that's the way to attack. Then three steps—BACKWARD ... because it's better going back!

Won't you try the TUSCANA Come on! don't give a Darn-a! It's just the cutest dance Because you don't advance YOU JUST RETREAT!

There are 14 simple step movements, excluding repeats. These are now to be demonstrated to all dance teachers.

Collection of gold and silver Masonic jewels from Freemasons of the Empire has realised over £20,000 to date. Grand Lodge of England has now sent in a second cheque for £10,000 to the Treasury for the relief of war distress.

TROUBLE IN THE INTERIOR.

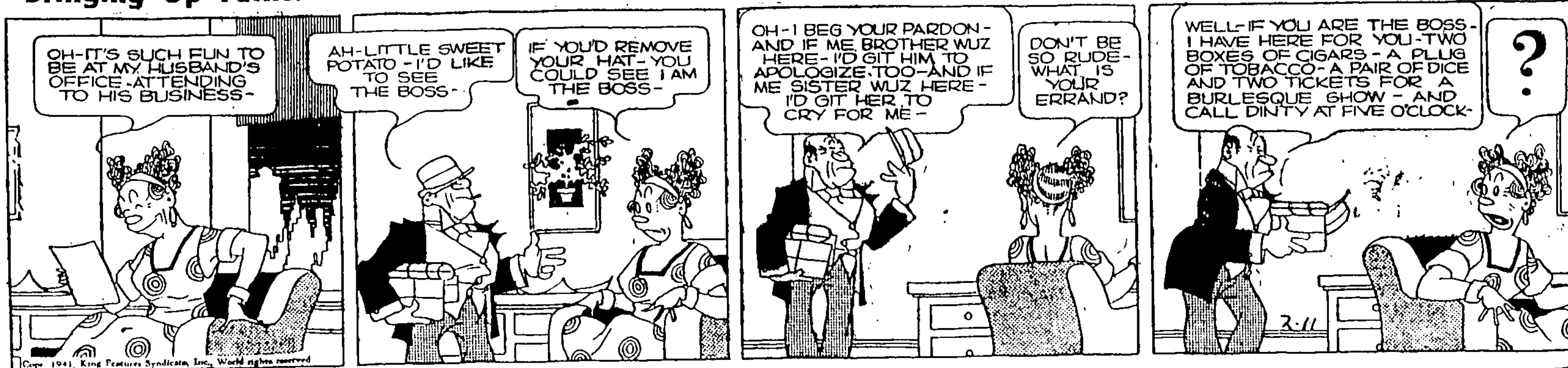
One frequently hears of trouble in the interior, usually with reference to some disturbance which has occurred up-country.

But, trouble in the interior is common, too, with men and women often caused through constipation.

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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Curious Phenomena Of Likes And Dislikes

Has it occurred to you, I think it has, that not all who know you like you?

Take your own personal case. Examine it. Recall the many little, apparently inconsequential embarrassments you have suffered when someone cut you cold when you were just getting warmed up to your theme.

The so-called "popular" people are not so popular if you go behind the immediate scene and hear some of the remarks that are made in their absence.

Although it would appear that there possibly could not be anyone who would harbour unkind thoughts about them, the fact is that there are many bitter comments made. Sometimes, of course, a person is so popular with the majority that no one dares to make an adverse comment.

The truth is that none of us really understands the phenomenon of personal likes and dislikes.

It is ever present in our daily life. It is familiar to all adults, and yet it is an unsolved mystery why it should be so.

Once visited a friend who was in hospital. She had been there for a month. While I talked to her the nurse came round with the thermometer. She was quite a charming person, and besides, went about her work without any fuss. She was all smiles, and although my friend was not very cheerful in her tone, the nurse never relaxed her charm.

After the nurse had left I asked my friend why she was so curt to the charming young woman who

By Stella Margaret

had taken so much trouble even over "a grouser". "She is supposed to be the most popular nurse here, but I don't like her a bit."

This is the answer I got. But I discovered later that the fault was not on the nurse's side. It was not my friend's personal dislike which, unfortunately, had been registered against that particular nurse.

In an hospital in England, just after an operation, a patient who had come out of chloroform was heard to remark in a weak whisper:

"Keep that sandy-haired nurse away. She gives me the jitters. I'd rather have the little fat one."

When you get into a train-car, bus or train, look around you, and ask yourself why you like some and dislike others.

It is curious, also, that these first impression-preferences often change as mysteriously as they appear.

Only the most stubborn insist that they never modify their first impressions.

But when one's likes and dislikes settle down to permanence, they are as inexplicable as ever. This fact is so disconcerting to logic and to common sense, that most people refuse to accept it.

We generally bring up all sorts of things as reasons for our feelings. We often say, very sweepingly: "I like Edna, she is so cheerful. I always like cheerful people." But even as we utter these words we know (if we are honest with ourselves) that So-and-So is cheerful and that we have often wished we could wipe the silly grin from her face.

The simple truth is that we like Edna, and so we like her particular brand of cheer; and we don't like So-and-So, and therefore we dislike even her cheerfulness.

And don't claim to like a person for his virtues or dislike him for his faults. How many devotedly good people have rubbed you intolerably the wrong way? And how many times have you said, "Well, I know he has little courage and less nobility—but I can't help liking him."

An eminent psychologist, who was in Ceylon some time ago told me an interesting story.

In his own work in Europe, he had noticed this particular phenomenon of the likes and dislikes of people.

A married sister of a young tycoon in London had found her husband's brother a rather boorish person. He had said very unkind things about the newcomer to the family. The unfortunate woman had had a few bitter moments.

But a day came when her husband and his brother built some houses on land bought with com-

mon capital. The married woman felt that if her brother-in-law wed the girl of his own choice there would be a great deal of haggling and fighting in the offing. Her husband found a solution. "Why not let my brother marry your sister?"

Strangely enough, the dislikes of the married sister vanished. Her brother-in-law became a "great fellow" in her convictions, and a surprising change took place in the accounts of his conduct sent to our typist friend.

The married woman even undertook the task of proposing on behalf of her brother-in-law.

But, of course, the truth was out, and the whole plan was abandoned.

Such is the mystery of this business of likes and dislikes. There is one thing to be learned from the common experiences of all people. And that is the desirability of admitting to our minds without emotional protest the fact that each of us is bound to encounter some persons who dislike her. We might as well accept this universal phenomenon without making a fuss about it.

Much unhappiness, irritability, and vain regret could be put out of some of our lives if we could realize the fact that any universal phenomenon is bound to apply to us as well. Although few great psychologists have troubled to write extensively on this aspect of our lives, Elizabeth Barrett Browning goes deep into it in a sonnet beginning:

"If thou must love me, let it be for naught."

Except for love's sake only. Do not say.

"I love her smile—her look—her way."

Of speaking gently—for a trick of thought—

Further down in the sonnet she exclaims with insistence: "love me for love's sake!"

It was not a great poet but merely a versifier expressing one of the most curious phenomena of our lives who wrote the famous doggerel:

"I do not like thee, Dr. Fell. The reason why I cannot tell; But this I know and know full well—I do not like thee, Dr. Fell."



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By ED REED



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Dorothy Greig



EVERY wave of small fry as it comes along over the years just naturally loves gravy—over bread, in a brown pool atop fluffy mashed potatoes, on meat, over vegetables. Even grown-ups have been known to view with anticipation a big bowl of rich brown gravy on the dinner table.

But I know a thing or two about gravy I'm going to pass on to you. One is how to enrich the flavor and increase the quantity of pan gravy. This I call:

Savory Beef Gravy

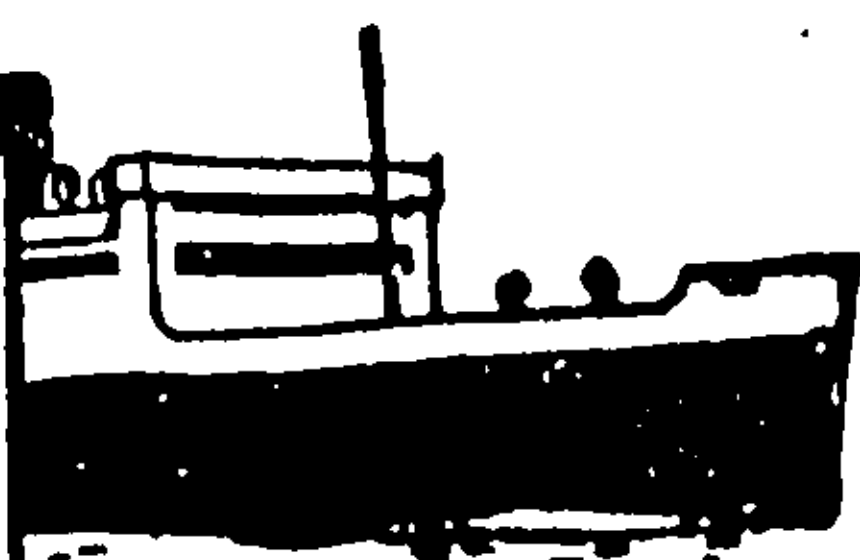
3 cups browned beef gravy
1 can condensed mock turtle soup
Add the mock turtle soup to the browned beef gravy. Heat to the boiling point and serve. This gives about 4½ cups of gravy.

And next, believe it or not, it's possible to have gravy any time you want it whether you have meat to start from or not. It's done with condensed soups. This particular one is a deeply flavored beef gravy because the consommé and mock turtle soups are both made on a rich beef stock base:

Quick Gravy

3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
1 can condensed consommé
½ can water
1 can condensed mock turtle soup
Melt the butter in a saucepan, add the flour and blend. Then add the consommé and ½ can of water, cook until thickened. Add the mock turtle soup and simmer 3-5 minutes to blend thoroughly the flavors. Strain before serving. Makes 3½ cups gravy.

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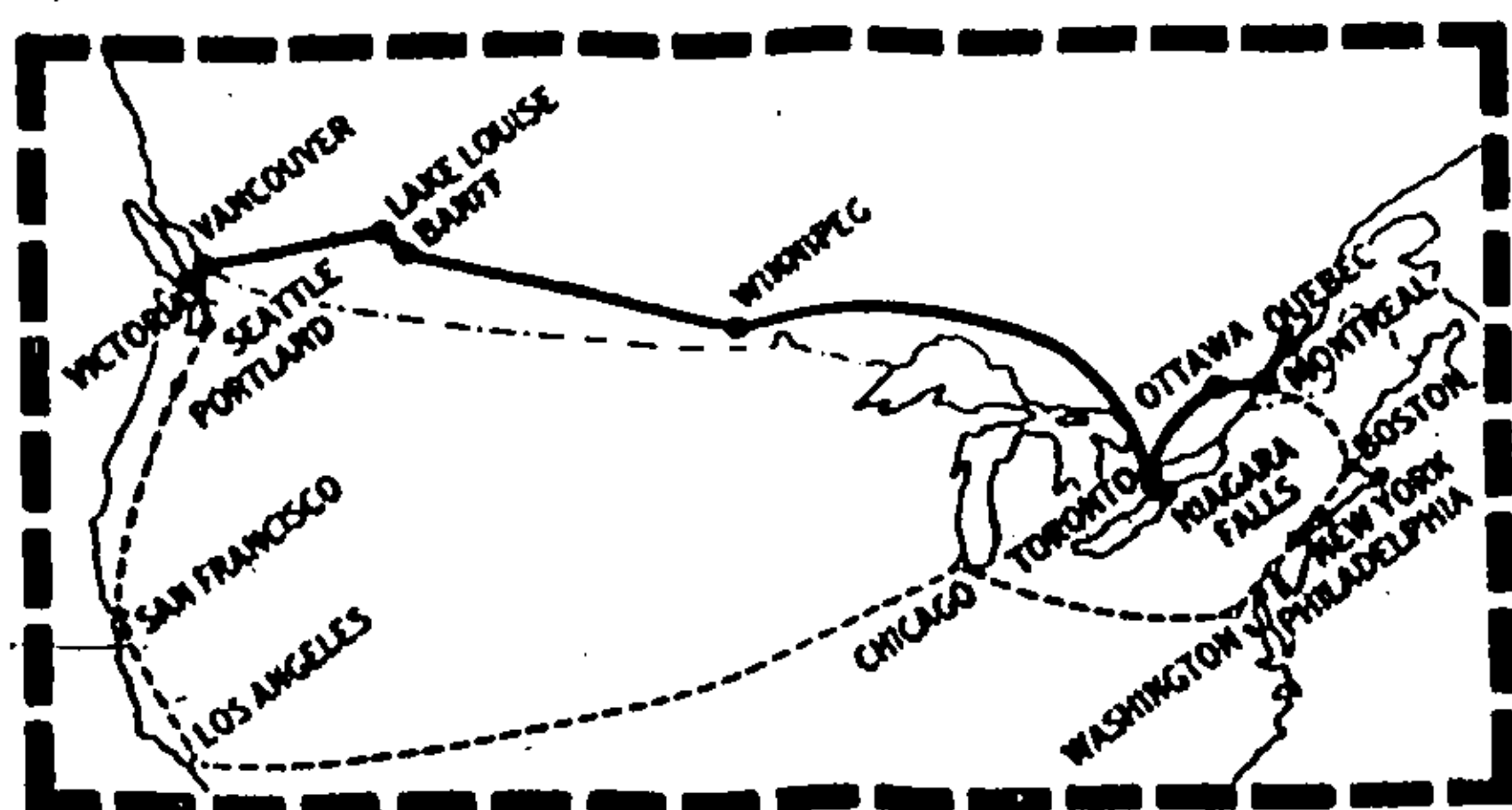
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Interces-
sion.

12.30 p.m.—Mantovani & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Moonspan Dreams; Love's
Serenade.

Slow Fox-Trot—Old Pal of Mine.
Waltz—Dance the Moonlight Waltz
with Me.

Fox-Trots—In My Little Red Book;
Something to Sing About.

Tango—Questa Notta Ti Dico.

Waltz—Coronation Waltz.

Fox-Trot—I'd like to See Samoa of
Samoa.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.

1.01 p.m.—Compositions of Offenbach.

Gaite Parisienne—Ballet Music. Over-

ture and Tortoni—Galop—Valse and

March—Grande Valse—Finale—Can

Can—Quadrille London Philhar-

monic Orchestra

Helen The Shepherd's Song Hed-

dle Nash (Tenor) with Orchestra

The Grand Duchess—Galop—Or-

chestra Raymond

Gendarmes' Duet (from "Genevieve

de Brabant") Malcolm McEach-

ern & Harold Williams with Orch

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and

Announcements

1.45 p.m.—Primo Scala's Accordion

Band and Sam Browne (Vocal).

Matinee (Gilbert-Nichols). My Little

Buckaroo (from "Strange Laws")

Primo Scala's Accordion Band

with Vocal Chorus

Sam Browne's Requests Intro. Just

one more Chance. Let's put out the

Light and Go to Sleep. When Day

is Done Sam Browne (Vocal)

with Orchestra

Let's Face the Music & Dance (film

"Follow the Fleet"). Alone (film

"A Night at the Opera"). Gypsy

Violin (O'Flynn & Belzner). A Lit-

tle Bit Independent (Leslie &

Burke) Sam Browne (Vocal)

Riding the Range in the Sky (Car-

lton). In a Gypsy Caravan (Buller

& others) Primo Scala's Accor-

deon Band

2.15 p.m.—Close down

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quo-

tations

6.32 p.m.—A Liszt Programme.

Hungarian Rhapsody No. 3 Grand

Symphony Orchestra. Rakoczy

March Mark Hambourg (Piano).

Liebestraume De Groot & the

Piccadilly Orchestra. Venezia E

Napoli (at Gondoliera) (b) Taran-

tella Louis Kentner (Piano).

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Talk by Sir

Hugh Walpole.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—Special

Broadcast to British Forces in the

Far East.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-

ouncements

8.02 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Pro-

gramme.

Vesuviana, Tarantella (Marchetti)

Orchestra Napolitana. Old Friends—

Potpouri (arr. Finck) Tom

Jones & His Orchestra. Only for

You (Strong) De Groot & the

Piccadilly Orchestra. Rhapsody in

Blue (Gershwin) Harry Roy &

His Orchestra

8.25 p.m.—"He Wanted Adventure"—

Musical Comedy. Bobby Hovess &

Company with Theatre Orchestra

conducted by Joseph Tunbridge

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions

of the Hour".

9.30 p.m.—Local Sports Results

9.33 p.m.—Student Songs.

Medley Intro Here's a Health unto

His Majesty. Green Bottles; Mas-

sa's in de Cold, Cold Ground; Come

Landlord, fill the Flowing Bowl;

Who's dat a-calling; What shall we

do with the drunken Sailor; Will ye

no come back again; Goodnight

Ladies. Stuart Robertson (Bass-

Baritone).

Clementine (Montrose); Solomon Levi

(Beaver)... Stuart Robertson with

Piano & Chorus.

9.45 p.m.—Quentin Maclean at the

Organ.

River Reveries—Intro: Swanee River;

Blue Danube; Old Father Thames;

Deep River; Song of the Volga

Boatmen; Old Man River.

Cinema Memories—Intro: Orphans of

the Storm; Four Horsemen of the

Apocalypse; Way Down East;

Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall;

La Rosita; Orphans of the Storm;

Robin Hood; The Gold Rush; Way

Down East; The Covered Wagon;

What Price Glory; The Singing

Fool.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on

Short Wave only).

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—"Oil"

Variety with Flanagan & Allen and

Geraldo & His Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—I've Got My Eyes on You;

I Concentrate on You... Les Brown

& his Orchestra.

Slow Fox-Trot—A Lover's Lullaby;

Waltz—By the Wishing Well... Am-

brose & his Orchestra.

Swing Fox-Trots—Concerto for Coo-

tie; Me and You... Duke Ellington

& his Famous Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—All by Myself; Spain...

Bob Crosby's Bob Cats.

Quicksteps—Wrappin' it up; Exactly.

Like You... Oscar Rabin & his

Strict Tempo Dance Band.

Tangos—Horas Fugaces; Trapp Viejó

Orquesta Tipica.

Fox-Trot—I Hear Bluebirds; Waltz—

I'll be Waiting for You... The Or-

gan, the Dance Band and Mc.

Fox-Trot—When You Wear Your Sun-

day Blue; Quickstep—Put that

Down in Writing... Joe Loss & his

Band.

Fox-Trot—Rosita; Rumba Fox-Trot—

The Gaucho Serenade... Ambrose

& his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—In The Mood... The Six

Swingers.

12.00 midnight—Close down.

THE DUTCH FITZROY BAFFLE INN GREET'S NAZIS NAVY

All Dutch Jews must wear a distinguishing armband, ran a Nazi order. The Jews obeyed. Next day more armbands appeared.

Eventually nearly everyone—Jew or Gentile—was wearing an armband. Then notices began to appear above Jewish shops saying, "German soldiers mustn't enter here."

That is just one instance of how the Dutch are remaining stubbornly defiant and snatching every chance of hitting back at the Germans.

All-night champagne parties by Nazis in Dutch farm billets on looted hoards from local shops are becoming the talk of Holland. "Champagne trains" is a common name for any train carrying Germans.

Drinking Orgies

A neutral traveller tells of a journey on such a train when German soldiers passed bottle after bottle of champagne round the carriage, boasting "What do we care? When we need more we'll grab it from some shop."

Dutch dance halls have been closed owing to the behaviour of drunken Hun soldiers. Arriving at dance halls, the Huns tried to steal girls from their Dutch escorts and ugly brawls followed.

A German soldier was shot recently for trying to rape a servant at the house where he was pillaged when he returned drunk in the early morning.

Germany claims to have a "secret" weapon in the form of a silent invisible bomber which has in it the "seeds of defeat for Britain." It is an improved version of the Junkers JU.88, and it is said that its two 1,140 h.p. engines can run "with absolute silence." The alleged "invisibility" is achieved by using a transparent plastic material for the fuselage and wings.

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)
The doors of the crowded saloon bar at the Fitzroy Tavern, Windmill Street, W., swung open recently and a group of sailors walked in.

The men of the warship H.M.S. Fitzroy had come to visit their "mother pub."

The Fitzroy Tavern adopted the ship twelve months ago, and the customers, through the proprietor, Charlie Allechild, sent the crew parcels of comforts.

Now some of the crew had got leave and did they get a welcome?

The sailors had brought a souvenir—the White Ensign which sailed with them when they made their eighteen trips to Dunkirk.

They gave it to Charlie, and he promptly hung it in the bar. "We've planned a victory celebration party for you boys," Charlie told them. "We've got £29 already, and don't forget your wives and sweethearts are invited, too."

NAZIS EXECUTE 100 JEWS

News has reached London of a terrible example of Nazi brutality in Poland—the execution of 100 Polish Jews arrested as hostages for a man who escaped from the Germans.

Last spring a young Polish Jew named Kott was arrested by the Warsaw Gestapo. Although handcuffed Kott evaded his gaolers, and the German police offered a reward of £40 for his capture or indication concerning his whereabouts.

Three hundred Jewish hostages were placed in a Warsaw prison. They were told that if within 24 hours Kott did not reappear 100 of them would be executed. Kott failed to show up and 100 of the hostages were shot.

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HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C., Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, 25th April, 1941.

PARADES

(a) Corps Artillery.
1. Dress for All Btys. for 1/2 Day Training. S.D. cap, shirt, cardigan, shorts, puttees, boots, web equipment pouches, haversack and water bottle filled, steel helmet, respirator, overalls and gun platform shoes to be carried, greatcoat optional. 3rd, 4th and 5th A.A. Btys. only. Knife, fork, spoon, plate and mug.

ii. Rifle Classification on—Casuals. Sun 27th Apr. Stonecutters. All Btys. Launch leaves Queen's Pier. 8.15 a.m. Kowloon, 8.30 a.m. Rifles must be drawn from H.Q. on Fri 25th p.m. or Sat 26th before noon. Dress—Jacket, trousers, S.D. cap, web equipment with pouches. Compulsory parade for all those not yet fired.

iii. Specialist Qualification. The undermentioned N.C.O.'s of the 4th Bty. qualified as under—Sgt. W. M. Gittins and Sgt. H. W. Brown—S.L.O. Class I, L/Bdr. M. Villa Carlos, S.L.O. Class II. iv. 1st Battery. Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 2 p.m. All Secs. Bty. training at D'Arguilar. Dress—See para. 4 (a) i above.

Thurs. 1st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Signalling, L.G. and B.C.A.'s Classes. Dress—Muff. v. 2nd Battery. Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. Kt inspection. All articles of clothing and equipment and books to be brought, clearly marked with name and Corps Number. Dress—Muff.

Thurs. 1st May. H.Q. (a) 1.45 p.m. 1. Sec. No. 2. Fatigue Party. (ii) 2.15 p.m. Remainder. 1 day training at Bluffhead. (c) Dress—See para. 4 (a) i above.

vi. 3rd Battery. Sun 27th Apr. A. detailed. Rifle drill. Mon 28th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. B.C.A. Class. Dress—Muff.

Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. All Secs. Kt inspection and pay parade. Dress—Muff.

Thurs. 1st May. H.Q. 2 p.m. All Secs. For Aberdeen. Dress as usual.

Fri 2nd May. D.E.L. School. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Section. Dress—Overalls.

vii. 4th Battery. Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. All Secs. Bty. drill and instruction. Dress—See para. 4 (a) i above.

Thurs. 1st May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s and others as detailed. General instructions in squad and rifle drill. Dress—Overalls, S.D. cap, web belt and frog.

viii. 5th A.A. Battery. Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 2.30 p.m. No. 1 Section. Half day training at Sai Wan. Dress as laid down.

Tues 29th Apr. St. John's Place. 5.30 p.m. No. 2 Sec. Lecture. Dress—Muff.

Thurs. 1st May. H.Q. 2.30 p.m. No. 2 Sec. Half day training at Sai Wan. Dress as laid down.

Thurs. 1st May. St. John's Place. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Sec. Lecture. Dress—Muff.

(b) Field Company Engineers. Mon 28th Apr. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Arms drill. Dress—Muff. Overalls to be brought on parade.

Thurs. 1st May. K.C.R. 2.30 p.m. Technical training by Sections. Dress—S.D. cap, shirt, shorts, hosetops, boots, puttees. Jack-knives and pliers to be carried.

(c) Corps Signals. Mon 28th Apr. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. (i) Classification Squad under instructors. (ii) Mainland Detachment. Checking stores. (iii) Remainder. Signal training as detailed.

Wed 30th Apr. H.Q. 2 p.m. Half day training as detailed. Dress—S.D. cap. Webbing belt.

Fri 2nd May. (i) W/T. Class report direct to Govt. Trade School at 2 p.m. (ii) Remainder parade at H.Q. 5.15 p.m. (iii) D/R. Sec. Revolver practice at Kennedy Road Range. Dress—Overalls. (iv) Remainder. Signal training as detailed.

(d) Mobile Column. Sun 27th Apr. Kowloon City A. Range. 9 a.m. Those detailed. M.G. Casuals. Part II. Dress—Shorts, R.T.R. caps, drill order.

Mon 28th Apr. Hung Hom. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. Driving instruction. Dress—Overalls, R.T.R. caps.

Wed 30th Apr. Hung Hom. 2.30 p.m. All Pns. exercise in N.T. Dress—Battle Order. R.T.R. caps. Vehicle & Working Party: No. 1 Pln. and No. 2 Sec., No. 3 Pln. Hung Hom. 2 p.m. Rifle Party: H.Q. 1.45 p.m. as detailed.

Fri 2nd May. (i) Nos. 1, 2 Pns., Classes A, B & C Stoppages V.G. Classes D & E. Stoppages L.G. (ii) Nos. 3 & 4 Pns., Class I V.G. instruments (Dial sight if possible) Class 2, V.G. stoppages Nos. 1 & 4 (Setting). Class 3, V.G. stoppages Nos. 1 & 4 (iii) No. 5

Pln. Anti-Tank Rifle. (iv) Dress—All Pns. Overalls, R.T.R. caps. (c) NO. 1 COMPANY

Sun 27th Apr. Kowloon Range. 9 a.m. M.G. Course Pt. 2. Those detailed. Dress as for Mondays less haversack and water bottle.

Mon 28th Apr. H.Q. 2 p.m. For Fanning. Dress—Battle order with steel helmet, water bottle filled, mess tin, knife, spoon, fork and cup to be brought.

Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Weapon training.

Fri 2nd May. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Weapon training.

(f) NO. 2 COMPANY

Sun 27th Apr. Kowloon City Range B. 9 a.m. M.G. Casuals. Those detailed. Dress—shirt sleeves, shorts. Drill Order.

Tues 29th Apr. Kowloon Dock. 5.30 p.m. No. 6 P.m. Weapon training.

Wed 30th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 7 Pln. L.G. & M.G. training.

Fri 2nd May. H.Q. 2 p.m. Coy. parade. Dress—Battle Order.

(g) NO. 3 COMPANY

Sun 27th Apr. Kowloon City Range. 9 a.m. Those detailed. A.M. G.C. Dress—cap, shirt, shorts; equipment less haversack and water bottles.

Mon 28th Apr. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Training as in programme. Dress—cap, shirt, shorts; equipment.

Thurs. 1st May. H.Q. 5.20 p.m. Training as in Coy. programme. Dress—Overalls.

(h) NO. 4 COMPANY

Mon 28th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Coy. parade.

Tues 29th Apr. Murray Parade Ground. 5.15 p.m. Recruits and those detailed from Classes 9 and 10.

Wed 30th Apr. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Half day training. Dress—Battle Order. S.D. cap.

Fri 2nd May. Murray Parade Ground. 5.15 p.m. Recruits and those detailed from Classes 9 and 10.

(i) NO. 5 COMPANY

Sun 27th Apr. Kowloon City Range A. 9 a.m. M.G. Casuals. Dress—Drill Order. Shirt sleeves, short puttees, hose-tops, boots.

Mon 28th Apr. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, shirt, cardigan, trousers, boots, webbing equipment and mess tin.

Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. (i) M.G. Secs. Stoppages. I.A. 1st and 2nd. (ii) L.G. Secs. Immediate action. (iii) Rifle instruction: a/ Effects of Light, wind & Rain. b/ Effects of alteration of elevation at different ranges. c/ the 303 round.

(j) NO. 6 COMPANY

Tues 29th Apr. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. T.O.E.T. (continued).

Fri 2nd May. H.Q. 2 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, shirt, cardigan, shorts, hosetops, puttees, boots, haversack, water bottle, mess tin, knives and forks.

Sun 11th May. (i) Kowloon City Range A. Rifle casuals. All those not yet fired. Dress—Optional but webbing equipment must be carried. (ii) Stonecutters Range. L.G. Casuals. All those not yet fired. Launch leaves Queen's Pier 8.15 a.m. and Kowloon 8.30 a.m. Dress as for rifle casuals.

(k) NO. 7 COMPANY

Mon 28th Apr. H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Squad and arms drill.

Fri 2nd May. H.Q. 2 p.m. for D'Arguilar. Dress—Fighting Order—S.D. cap, mess tin, knife, fork and spoon will be carried.

(l) ARMY SERVICE CORPS COMPANY

Sun 27th Apr. St. John's Place. 11 a.m. All day compulsory parade. Dress—Jacket, shirt, shorts, puttees, boots, S.D. cap, belt, haversack and water bottle.

Mon 28th Apr.—Sat 3rd May. Inclusive. Transport and Supplies Sections on duty as detailed under Company arrangements. Dress—parade. Dress—Jacket, shirt, as ordered. No leave can be granted except as ordered.

Daily duty officers as detailed.

Thurs. 1st May. Supply and Transport Sections. Lecture—Practical mechanics. Dress—Overalls and S.D. cap. Transport leaves Queen's Pier 5.20 p.m.

(m) FIELD AMBULANCE

Wed 30th Apr. H.Q. 2.15 p.m. Half day training. Dress—S.D. cap, jacket, shorts, puttees, hose tops, boots and webbing belt. Greatcoat optional.

Those who have not yet returned their respirators and webbing equipment to store must do so at this parade.

(n) PAY SECTION

Thurs. 1st May. Comd. H.Q. Sub-Section I. Dress—Uniform.

Fri 2nd May. Comd. H.Q. Sub-Section II. Dress—Uniform.

(o) FORTRESS SIGNAL COMPANY

Wed 30th Apr. Exchange Building. 2.30 p.m. Manning training as detailed.

LEAVE
A/Bdr. R. L. S. Webb, Corps Art. H.Q.

L/Bdr. O. E. C. Marton 2nd Bty. Sgt. A. J. MacFayden, 2nd Bty. Gnr. E. P. Streatfield, 2nd Bty. Gnr. G. S. P. Heywood, 2nd Bty. Gnr. F. D. Angus, 2nd Bty. Res. Gnr. P. Chan, 4th Bty. Gnr. C. C. Lee, 4th Bty. Spr. C. M. Cropley, Fd. Coy. Engrs.

Sigmn. W. O. Franklin, Corps Signals.

2/Lt. W. Stoker, Mob. Coln. Pte. W. Park, Mob. Coln. Pte. J. H. Odell, Mob. Coln. Pte. P. J. Brown, Mob. Coln. Pte. D. B. Nelson, No. 1 Coy. Pte. J. E. Y. Walker, No. 2 Coy. Lieut. E. M. Bryden, No. 2 Coy. Pte. R. C. Baptista, No. 5 Coy. Pte. I. Agafuroff, A.S.C. Coy.

APPOINTMENTS & PROMOTIONS

Pte. G. M. Marrs, No. 1 Coy. to be L/Cpl.

Pte. J. M. Houghton, No. 1 Coy. to be L/Cpl.

Cpl. C. Black, A.S.C. Coy. to be Sgt.

L/Cpl. A. L. Cole, A.S.C. Coy. to be Cpl.

L/Cpl. L. A. R. Duncan, A.S.C. Coy. to be Cpl.

L/Cpl. B. G. Clarke, A.S.C. Coy. to be Cpl.

Cpl. W. Wright, A.S.C. Coy. to be Cpl.

Pte. J. M. Hood, A.S.C. Coy. L/Cpl.

Pte. A. S. Sleep, A.S.C. Coy. L/Cpl.

Pte. C. S. Rossetet, A.S.C. Coy. L/Cpl.

HID FORTUNE, THEN FORGOT

THE CRAZIEST TREASURE HUNT IN HISTORY HAS ENDED AT MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, WHERE MRS. ROE WELLS, ELDERLY WIFE OF A MULTI-MILLIONAIRE DOUGHNUT KING, HID OVER £168,000 WORTH OF GEMS AND CASH THEN FORGOT THEIR WHEREABOUTS.

Scores of police and trusted volunteers crawled all over the big Wells mansion searching for the lost hoard, portions of which turned up in the strangest places.

Many thousand pounds worth of dollar bills were found in beds, and diamonds emerged from cupboards and vases. Coffee tins, tea-canisters and suitcases were opened, and out popped more gems.

Plunging his hand into one bed, Chief Detective Carpenter cried, "Oh, boy!" when his hand came out grasping £500 worth of dollar bills.

Another detective gave some curtains a shake and down fell silver dollars, dimes and pennies, accompanied by necklaces.

Roe Wells, who made many millions mass-producing dough-nuts, called the police to the mansion when his eccentric wife confessed to him that she had no idea where she had, "for safety's sake," concealed her valuables.

At first both husband and wife thought they had been stolen, but it has been announced that nearly everything has been recovered.

BLOOD BANK

The Director of Medical Services announces that such a satisfactory response has been received to the appeal for blood donors that a large waiting list has been prepared and no further offers can be accepted until further notice.

The staff available to man this new service is necessarily limited and their hands are full taking blood from donors and preparing the wet plasma.

We are asked to state that those wishing to make this valuable contribution in the interests of humanity should not be discouraged on account of this temporary stoppage and that a further public notice will appear as soon as the present waiting list of donors has been reduced to reasonable proportions.

Our readers may recall that over 16,000 volunteer donors came forward in the north-western district of London alone last year.

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Pte. B. C. Oh, Field Amb. Gnr. R. Forrest, 1st Bty. E. N. THURSBY, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE
SERGEANTS' MESS—LAWN BOWLS

Members of the Sergeants' Mess who wish to play in the lawn bowls match against the Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday, May 4th, are reminded that their names should be sent in before noon on Wednesday.

AFFILIATED UNIT
Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. 1. A.R.P. LECTURE

Fri 2nd May. A.R.P. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Transport leaves Queen's Pier. 5.20 p.m.

2. RESPIRATORS
Will all members who have not yet returned their respirators to Vol. H.Q., please make arrangements with the Gas Officer to do so at once.

3. HOSPITAL TRAINING
Mrs. D. M. Begdon 21.4.41-28.4.41.

4. STRENGTH INCREASE
Mrs. P. R. C. Blackwood 21.4.41. Sgd. I. M. S. BRAUDE, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

AFTER ORDERS
MACHINE-GUN CASUALS
The M.G. Casuals will fire the A.M.G.C. on Kowloon City Ranges at 9 a.m. on Sunday 27th April.

No. 1 Company, B Range, Range Officer—Lt. G. P. Ferguson

No. 2 Company, B Range, Range Officer—Lt. G. P. Ferguson

No. 3 Company, A Range, Range Officer—R.S.M. G. H. Calvert.

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POWERFUL K.F.C. TEAM FOR THIS AFTERNOON

By "Lead"

AS FAR AS I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ASCERTAIN, FOUR INTER-CLUB LAWN BOWLS MATCHES WILL BE PLAYED THIS AFTERNOON, WHEN, FOR THE MOST PART, POTENTIAL LEAGUE COMBINATIONS WILL BE TRIED OUT.

I have not seen the Recreation teams for their two games but the Kowloon Football Club "A" team is an extremely impressive looking combination.

The three skips are Bill Field, Ernie Kern and Bill Simpson and with splendid balance in the earlier numbers, I have little hesitation thus early in tipping them for Second Division honours, unless Recreation have something up their sleeves.

K.F.C. are playing Hong Kong Electric and appear to be doing some experimenting. Dallah is not playing and Adal will be skipping one of the rinks. Several erstwhile junior players are also being tried out.

Kowloon Tong will be without Austin Spary, who has indicated his intention of playing for them this season, while Willie Howard, a he is not down to play, is presumably racing. New recruit to the team, who will be turning out, is A Madar who will be No. 3 to Kew, but the remainder of the team shows little alteration from last season.

I sincerely hope the rain does hold off to-day, as most players are in sore need of the match practice that should be afforded.

Programme

Following is to-day's programme of friendly lawn bowls matches:

Kowloon Tong	v.	Recreation
K.D.R.C.	v.	Kowloon F.C.
Recreation	v.	Kowloon F.C.
H.K.E.R.C.	v.	I.R.C.

Kowloon C.C. Practice Roll-up.
Police R.C. Intra-Club.
Craigengower C.C. Intra-Club.

I.R.C.—J. M. A. Rumjahn, A. K. Saffad, A. S. Rumjahn and M. R. Abbas (Skip). K. M. Rumjahn, A. S. Saffad, A. M. Wahab and A. K. Muni (Skip). S. Yusuf, A. H. Madar, A. M. Rumjahn and M. Y. Adal (Skip).

K.F.C. 1st Team:—A. Lapsley, V. Atienza, V. Chittenden and W. V. Field (Skip). W. Nae, A. L. Eastman, P. Youngusband and E. Kern (Skip). A. MacIntyre, C. Downman, T. Fergusson and W. Simpson (Skip).

Kowloon Tong:—Y. H. Tang, H. Y. Ihsu, A. Madar and A. J. Kew (Skip). N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lam, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (Skip). H. A. Castro, M. S. Phoon, A. E. H. Castro and H. Gittins (Skip).

K.C.C.—W. E. Allen, N. J. Bebbington, A. Bone, H. Brokenshire, R. T. Burch, R. S. Capell, T. W. Carr, E. C. Curtis, E. C. Fincher, A. E. P. Guest, S. A. Gray, L. Jack, H. Langley, R. E. Lee, R. Leigh, J. R. Luke, V. C. Labrum, T. A. Madar, A. H. Martin, R. S. Meadows, W. W. Parsons, A. E. Perry, A. W. Ramsey, R. J. Fenton, A. W. Smith, A. Steven, C. J. Tacchi, A. C. Tribble, G. E. Taylor, R. B. Wellwood, G. Bowden and D. Hung are requested to turn up for practice.

K.F.C. 2nd Team:—C. Woodcock, S. Wong, C. Fuller and B. D. Evans (Skip). A. Williams, G. Frost, Y. Abbas and J. T. Smalley (Skip). G. Cross, B. Thomson, A. A. Dand and R. Ogden (Skip).

NEXT WEEK'S TENNIS

Following is the tennis championship programme for next week:

Monday

OPEN SINGLES

Semi-Final

S. A. Rumjahn v. Tsui Wai-pui (Stand Court).

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Semi-Final

C. H. R. Oxlade v. F. W. Carter (6).

CLUB HANDICAP SINGLES

Final

G. W. Sewell (—4/0) v. T. J. Gould (—15/2). (8).

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Semi-Final

R. E. Guest v. M. Pagh (Stand Court).

Tuesday

CLUB HANDICAP DOUBLES

L. M. S. Lloyd and A. D. Humphreys (—3/0) v. R. H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight (—3/0) (4).

Wednesday

OPEN DOUBLES

Semi-Final

Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui v. G. W. Sewell and D. M. MacDougall (Stand Court).

Thursday

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Final

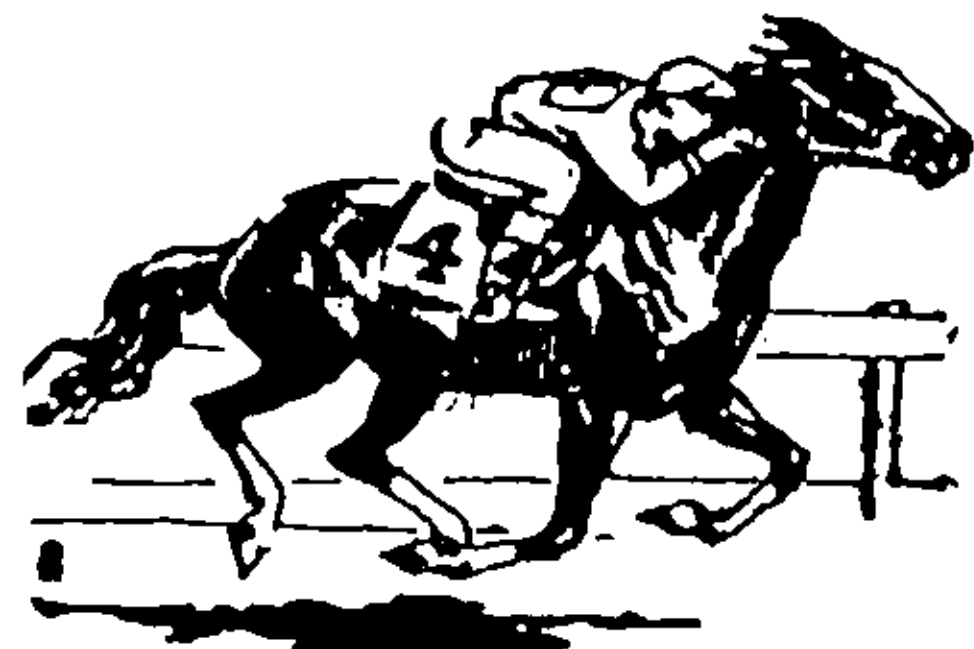
C. H. R. Oxlade or F. W. Carter v. R. E. Guest or M. Pagh (Stand Court).

Friday

CLUB HANDICAP DOUBLES

Semi-Final

C. H. R. Oxlade and A. H. Barwell (—15/2) v. L. M. S. Lloyd and A. D. Humphreys (—3/0) or R. H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight (—3/0) (8).



RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

Race No. 1
BLUE FIELD
EVE OF HUNTING
LOVELY VIEW
Outsider:—Boolat Bay.

Race No. 2
PRAIRIE VIEW
VANGUARD
NATIONAL REFORM
Outsider:—Gay Fox.

Race No. 3
SO NICE
WORLD FAIR VIEW
JOHNBER
Outsider:—Avon.

Race No. 4
MOUNTAIN VIEW
NOMINE POENAE
IRON BELLE
Outsider:—Hornpipe.

Race No. 5
THE NINETEENTH HOLE
COLOOMA
MAN-O-WAR
Outsider:—Manhattan.

Race No. 6
BUGLE
BONA VACANTIA
SEAL RIVER
Outsider:—Seventy Six.

Race No. 7
THE KOALA BEAR
NEWBORN STAR
ANZAC DAY
Outsider:—Royal Sovereign.

Race No. 8
TIEN TIEN
LOOK SEE
STRATHALBYN
Outsider:—Crack Shot.

Race No. 9
DAYLIGHT
TWINKLING STAR
TOBACCO SHIP
Outsider:—Vitamin M.

Race No. 10
CONTACT
HAPPY RETURNS
VIXEN TOR
Outsider:—Jus Gentium.
DAILY DOUBLE:—THE NINETEENTH HOLE and THE KOALA BEAR.

CLUB HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES

C. H. R. Oxlade and Miss Pritchard (—4/0) v. J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Torrible (—15) (8).

Following is a complete survey of racing at the Valley this year, giving the time, first three ponies, their jockeys and weights, won by and when—A.M. stands for Annual Meeting, and 1 or 2 means first or second day. E.1 represents First Extra Race Meeting, etc.

AUSTRALIAN PONIES "A" CLASS

1 MILE 171 YARDS
153—Sapper (Davis, 159) Record; 2, Distant View (Ph, 152); 3, Viceroy (Black, 140). 2½ lengths and 1½ lengths. E.2
TWO MILES
142—Baffin Bay (Chao, 159) Record; 2, Australian Diamond (Chang, 159); 3, Triumphant Day (Liang, 148). 2 and many E.3 (1).

AUSTRALIAN GRIFFINS, 1941

HALF MILE & 170 YARDS
101—The Nineteenth Hole (Hearne, 142); 2, King's Welcome (Black, 143); 3, Misty View (Ph, 144). Two and ½, E.3 (1)
101.1—Distant View (Ph, 152); 2, Fleetwing (Poy, 152); 3, Misty View (Botelho, 152). 5 and 2 A.M.3
102—Starlight (Moller, 152); 2, Nomine Poenne (Chao, 152); 3, Haseosay (Davis, 152). ½ and short head A.M.4
102.2—Glooming (Poy, 152); 2, Haseosay (Davis, 152); 3, Louis Stand (Sokoloff, 152). 3 and short head A.M.5
6 FURLONGS
116—Vanity Fair (Wei, 159); 2, Many Thanks (Ph, 159); 3, Criffel (Black, 145). Short head and a head E.2
118.2—Distant View (Ph, 152); 2, Vis Major (Sokoloff, 152); 3, Starlight (Moller, 152). 3 and 5 A.M.1

118.4—Moonlight (Wei, 142); Happy Returns (Chao, 151); 3, Pumpernickel (Ph, 152). Many lengths and a neck E.2
ONE MILE
148.3—A Luxurious Time (Hearne, 152); 2, Prairie View (Ph, 152); 3, National Courage (Tao, 152). 3 and 2 A.M.5
150.3—Mainsail (Black, 152); 2, A Rosy Time (Hearne, 149); 3, The Koala Bear (Tang, 152). 5 and ½ A.M.5
151.0—A Happy Time (Holden, 152); 2, Fleetwing (Poy, 152); 3, Coloona (Black, 152). 5 and short head A.M.1

1 MILE 171 YARDS
155—Starlight (Wei, 147); 2, Coloona (Black, 152); 3, Mountain View (Botelho, 145). Half length and a neck
200.3—Fleetwing (Poy, 152); Starlight (Moller, 152); 3, Mountain View (Ph, 152). 3 and 1 A.M.2
1½ MILES
214.1—Fleetwing (Poy, 157) Record; 2, Mountain View (Ph, 149); 3, Amusement Tax (Wei, 142). 4 lengths, many lengths E.3 (2)
219.3—Coloona (Black, 152); 2, Oracle (Needa, 149); 3, Prairie View (Ph, 152). Short head and 3 A.M.3
219.4—First Love (Liang, 152); 2, Prairie View (Ph, 152); 3, Marsh Warbler (Black, 152). 3 and short head A.M.1

254.1—Distant View (Ph, 152); 2, Oracle (Needa, 151); 3, First Love (Liang, 152). Many and 3 A.M.2
3.25.1—Marsh Warbler (Black, 152); 2, Mountain View (Ph, 152); 3, National Courage (Tao, 152). 2½ and many A.M.4

AUSTRALIAN SUBS, 1941

HALF MILE
51.1—Moonlight (Noodt, 149); 2, Bona Vacantia (Sokoloff, 152); 3, Fresh Air (Ip Kuy-ying, 149). 2 and short head A.M.2
54.1—Bendmeier (Needa, 152); 2, Royal Sovereign (Noodt, 152); 3, Newborn Star (Craven, 152). 2 and 4 A.M.2
101.1—Fresh Air (Pan, 148); 2, Newborn Star (Davis, 145); 3, Gold Rod (Liang, 142). 4 and 6 E.3 (1)

ABOUT ½ MILE AND 171 YARDS
102.2—Hole in One (Hearne, 142); 2, Battle (Chang, 142); 3, Royal Sovereign (Tao, 150). 1½ and ½ E.3 (1)
6 FURLONGS
116.4—Man-O-War (Ph, 149); 2, Vanguard (Chang, 149); 3, Iron Belle (Wei, 145). 4 lengths; 6 lengths E.3 (2)

117.1—Moonlight (Wei, 152); 2, A Surprising Time (Hearne, 156). A length; ½ length E.3 (2)
117.2—National Courage (Chang, 152); 2, Vis Major (Chao, 152); 3, Sea Jay (Gregory, 145). 4 lengths; 2 lengths E.3 (2)
117.3—Catterick Bridge (Chao, 150) and Cheerful Star (Proulx, 145) dead heat; 3, Double Finesse (Tao, 150). Dead heat; short head E.3 (2)

118.4—United Express (Ip Kuy-ying, 152); 2, Fresh Air (Woo, 149); 3, Newborn Star (Craven, 152). 6 and ½ A.M.1
119.4—Amulet Star (Craven, 152); 2, Black Seal (Chao, 152); 3, A Surprising Time (Holden, 152). Neck and short head A.M.1

119.4—National Welfare (Tao, 152); 2, Happy Returns (Wei, 149); 3,

Vitamin M. (Black, 152). Head and head A.M.1
120—Longdon (Wei, 149); 2, Roofly (Needa, 159); 3, Bredon (Chatterley, 154). Short head; the same E.3 (2)
120.2—Maple Leaf (Noodt, 149); 2, Optima Fide (Sokoloff, 152); Fresh Air (Needa, 149). 1½ and 3 A.M.3
144.0—Oracle (Needa, 150); Nomine Poenne (Chao, 152); 3, Prairie View (Ph, 152). 1½ and 6 E.1 (Record)

144.2—Commeber (Chao, 151); 2, Devontian (Black, 142); 3, Rowan (Hearne, 156). 2 and a neck E.1
144.3—Shuttlecock (Black, 139); 2, Venus Bay (Needa, 159); 3, Cockleroi (Davis, 138). A neck and 3 E.1

147.4—Optima Fide (Chao, 152); 2, Sydney Lady (Hearne, 152); 3, A Rosy Time (Black, 149). Half length and a neck E.1
147.4—Corair (Botelho, 149); 2, Bona Vacantia (Lee, 152); 3, Daylight (Wei, 152). 2 and 3 E.1

146.1—Black Seal (Needa, 152); 2, The Koala Bear (Tang, 152); 3, Bendigo (Black, 152). Half length and 1½ length E.1

ONE MILE
148.0—Manhattan (Hearne, 149); Jus Gentium (Sokoloff, 150); 3, Endeavour (Wei, 152). 4 and 3 A.M.1
148.0—Endeavour (Moller, 152); 2, Mainsail (Yuen, 152); 3, A Surprising Time (Black, 152). 1½ and 4 A.M.4

149.2—Jus Gentium (Black, 149); 2, Snow White (Ph, 149); 3, Seal River (Hearne, 149). 2 and 3 E.1
151.0—A Surprising Time (Black, 152); 2, Black Seal (Moller, 152); 3, Corsair (Botelho, 149). 3 and 3 A.M.5

152.0—United Express (Ip Kuy-ying, 152); 2, Tien Tien (Sung, 150); 3, Casino (Tang Man-wa, 149). Many and 2 A.M.2
153.0—Lex Forti (Sokoloff, 152); 2, Sydney Lady (Hearne, 152); 3, Bugle (Moller, 149). 1½ and 1½ A.M.4

1 MILE 171 YARDS
157.2—A Happy Time (Black, 152); 2, Commeber (Chao, 151); 3, Starlight (Wei, 157). 2 and 2 E.3 (1)
157.4—Springhurst (Poy, 148); 2, Contact (Davis, 149); 3, Vixen Tor (Trevorton, 144). A neck and 1 length E.3 (1)

158.1—Wayworth (Wood, 143); 2, Bugle (Wei, 147); 3, Bendigo (Pan, 144). 3 lengths, 2 lengths E.3 (2)
158.2—Joan (Wei, 142); 2, Anzac Day (Hearne, 142); 3, The Koala Bear (Tang, 146). 1½ lengths, 2½ lengths E.3 (2)

200.0—Dutch Treat (Botelho, 152); 2, Black Seal (Chao, 152); 3, Bugle (Wei, 149). Short head and ½ A.M.2
202.2—Happy Returns (Chao, 149); 2, Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3, Sydney Lady (Hearne, 152). 1 and 2 A.M.3

1½ MILES
216—Mainsail (Black, 152) Record; 2, King's Flight (Needa, 145); 3, Happy Returns (Wei, 151). 1½ and 3 E.3 (1)
222.2—King's Flight (Needa, 152); 2, Lex Forti (Sokoloff, 152); 3, Bugle (Moller, 149). 4 and 1½ A.M.3

230.2—Santa Anita (Liang, 153); 2, King's Flight (Needa, 153); 3, Corsair (Botelho, 150). 3 and 2 A.M.2
1½ MILES
249.0—United Express (Ip, 152); 2, Endeavour (Moller, 152); 3, Jus Gentium (Sokoloff, 150). 1½ and ½ A.M.3

TWO MILES
355.1—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2, Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3, Corsair (Botelho, 149). 2 and many A.M.4

AUSTRALIAN OLD PONIES

6 FURLONGS
118.0—Viceroy (Black, 147); 2, Far View (Ph, 159); 3, Brown Derby (Trevorton, 135). Head and short head A.M.3

HALF MILE AND 170 YARDS
58.4—Distant View (Ph, 149) Record; 2, Endeavour (Wei, 145); 3, Vanity Fair (Black, 139). ½ length; short head E.3 (2)

ONE MILE
140.2—Sapper (Davis, 159); 2, Far View (Ph, 159); 3, Viceroy (Black, 152). 5 and 2½ A.M.1
150.3—Catterick Bridge (Chao, 148); 2, Venus Bay (Needa, 159); 3, Cheerful Star (Tao, 154). ½ and 1 A.M.3

152.2—Longdon (Noodt, 135); 2, Roofly (Needa, 159); 3, A Good Time (Chang, 135). 5 and 2 A.M.4
150.0—Many Thanks (Hearne, 139); 2, Vixen Tor (Noodt, 147); 3, Pumpernickel (Tao, 153). Many and 4 A.M.2

1 MILE 171 YARDS
159.1—Fair Chance (Wei, 140); 2, Springhurst (Poy, 148); 3, Vixen Tor (Noodt, 143). 1½ and short head A.M.1
TWO MILES
339.1—Endeavour (Wei, 143); 2, Australian Diamond (Chang, 150); 3, Viceroy (Black, 154). 4 and 3 E.1

351.4—Brutus (Trevorton, 135); 2, Springhurst (Poy, 148); 3, Commeber (Chang, 149). 3 and ½ A.M.4
354.3—Centre Court (Noodt, 146); 2, Venus Bay (Needa, 159); 3, Colorado Star (Davis, 133). 1½ and many A.M.5

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONS

1¼ MILES

217.0—Sapper (Davis, 152); 2, Distant View (Ph, 152); 3, Viceroy (Black, 152). 3 and 5 A.M.4
218.1—United Express (Ip Kuy-ying, 152); 2, Jus Gentium (Sokoloff, 150); 3, Happy Returns (Chao, 151). 3 and ½ A.M.5

NEW CHINA PONIES

108—Wonderful Scheme (D. H. S. Craven, 144); 2, Night Express (Ph, 144); 3, So Nice (Davis, 142). 1 and 4 E.3 (1)

ABOUT HALF-MILE 171 YARDS
100.2—Lancashire Lass (R. K. C. Chui, 144); 2, Jennifer (Coppin, 152); 3, King Kong (Hoo Pak-ming, 147). 3 and a neck E.2

108.3—Galveston Bay (Yui, 145); 2, Musketeer (Hoo Pak-ming, 139); 3, Emergency Unit (S. W. Lee, 142). Half length and four lengths E.2

6 FURLONGS
123.3—Oolong (Needa, 152); 2, Lovelight (Noodt, 152); 3, Palber (Chao, 152). 3 and 4 A.M.1
124.4—Charlesber (Chao, 152); 2, Iron Beauty (Wei, 152); 3, Odeon (Sequelra, 152). 4 and many E.1

ONE MILE
126.0—Palber (Chao, 152); 2, Sam's Choice (Black, 149); 3, Wonderful Scheme (Sokoloff, 152). 1 and 1 A.M.4
156—Eye of Grandeur (Davis, 149); 2, Odeon (Needa, 152); 3, Night Express (Ip Kuy-ying, 149). 2 and 2 E.2

158.1—Velvetlight (Moller, 159); 2, Oolong (Pallock, 159); 3, Charlesber (Chao, 152). ½ and many A.M.4
159.3—World Fair View (Ph, 152); 2, Palber (Chao, 152); 3, Sam's Choice (Black, 149). Many and head A.M.3

201.0—Eye of Dancing (Wood, 154); Eve of Folly (Davis, 156); Rose Jane (Botelho, 149). 2 and a head A.M.5
210.4—Oolong (Sokoloff, 159); 2, Velvetlight (Moller, 159); 3, Charlesber (Chao, 152). Short head and many A.M.3

1 MILE 171 YARDS
210.1—Sam's Choice (Black, 149); 2, Charlesber (Chao, 152); 3, Iron Beauty (Wei, 152). Short head and 3 lengths A.M.5
241.0—Velvetlight (Moller, 152); 2, Eve of Deception (Coppin, 158); 3, Raconteur (Wei, 152). 3 and many A.M.1

1½ MILES
302.0—Oolong (Needa, 152); 2, Velvetlight (Moller, 152); 3, Lovelight (Noodt, 152). 1 and 6 A.M.2

OLD CHINA PONIES

108—Avon (Black, 144); 2, Rose Emily (Chiu Ki-fan, 130); 3, Hughber (Chao, 150). 3 and half-length E.2
122.1—Velvetlight (Wei, 159); 2, World Fair View (Ph, 149); 3, Charlesber (K. I. Ip, 142). Three-quarter lengths and 1½ lengths E.2

6 FURLONGS
134.3—Eye of Peace (Wood, 155); 2, Lovelystar (Fung, 159); 3, Royal Wedding Eve (Feilden, 169). 6 and many A.M.2
1 MILE
149.3—Oolong (Needa, 152) Record; 2, Confusion Bay (Black, 159); 3, Spicylight (Liang, 150). A head; short head E.3 (2)

154.0—Racilyght (Noodt, 152); 2, Eye of Harvest (Davis, 152); 3, Spicylight (Moller, 155). 1 and 1½ A.M.3
158.1—Hillsboro Bay (Needa, 152); 2, Hughber (Trevorton, 138); 3, Lilliber (Chang, 143). Short head and head A.M.5

158.3—Conquering Time (Moller, 150), and Eve of Reason (Davis, 135); 3, Hughber (Chang, 135). Dead heat and short head A.M.2
200.3—Blue Field (Yui, 152); 2, Eve of Hunting (Silva, 152); 3, Celtic Star (Chiu, 152). A neck and 4 E.3 (1)

204.4—Portrush (Li Shul-fai, 133); 2, West Lake (Lee, 152); 3, Sunlight View (Chiu, 145). 4 and many E.3 (1)
1 MILE 171 YARDS
206.1—Galaxy (Wei, 140); 2, Hughber (Chao, 152); 3, Eve of Dancing (Davis, 138). A neck and ½ length E.3 (1)

212.4—Avon (Black, 142); 2, Johnber (Chao, 149); 3, Sam's Choice (Hearne, 140). Short head and head E.3 (1)
213.3—Gladiator (Chatterley, 145); 2, Potentate (Chiu Ki-fan, 149); 3, Galveston Bay (Yui, 149). ½ and 3 A.M.4

210.2—Eye of Peace (Coppin, 154); 2, Eve of Hunting (Davis, 155); 3, Royal Wedding Eve (Sokoloff, 159). 4 and 2½ A.M.3
1½ MILES
225.1—Navylight (Moller, 153); 2, Eve of Harvest (Davis, 153); 3, Confusion Bay (Needa, 156). Head and ¾ A.M.2

226.2—Confusion Bay (Black, 152); 2, Navylight (Moller, 152); 3, O-Lan (Needa, 149). 2 and 1 A.M.4
227—So Nice (Tang, 140); 2, Night Express (Ip Kuy-ying, 152); 3, Odeon (Y. K. Tu, 157). Many lengths; 4 lengths E.3 (2)

228.2—Thirty-Six (Hearne, 150); 2, King Kong (Wei, 138); 3, Juber (Chao, 140). 6 and 1 E.3 (2)
1 MILE
230.1—O-Lan (Needa, 149); 2, Eve of Harvest (Davis, 149); 3, Burford (S. W. Tang, 152). 2 and short head A.M.1

INTERNATIONAL SERIES CONCLUDE TO-MORROW

THE INTERNATIONAL SOFTBALL series will be wound up with to-morrow's star-studded double-header, when the Chinese Cuties come to grips with the Portuguese lassies in the opener at 10.30 a.m. whilst the Indian nine collide with the United States team at 11.45 a.m. in the Men's decider, to climax the All-nation showdown.

Reputed to be one of the heaviest hitting squads in the pennant scramble recently completed, and holding the spotlight for the greater part of the season, Chuck Waggoner's Yankees, comprising the Mighty Mohawk Tribe, strengthened with centre fielder Willie Wilson, is a "terrific" team when the chips are down, and although they were out hit and out played last Sabbath when they ousted the Portuguese from the series, they can stand up to the pressure even if they haven't their hitting suits on. It is unnatural for a team to stay in a batting slump forever, and when they really start unloading their lumber, it will require courage, more than pitching skill to stay on the hill.

Hurler Cy "Screwball" Jones will probably draw the pitching assignment for the Stars and Stripes, and although having skidded a lot recently, should be able to quiet the feeble Indian gun. The situation back of the platter is better with Joe Morris receiving, Morris is one of the best, if not the best, receivers in the circuit, and hits when the hits count. Ernie Hearther, winner of the "Johnnie Pearce" fielding prize, will hold first base, with Schaberg at second, whilst Lou Leight, another couter who is sheer dynamite at the dish, will be seen in a welcome return to the hot corner. At short stop will be you guessed it, none other than bustling Pete Fitch, a nice hunk of power in any team. Hank Sperry, another clutch hitter, Willie Wilson, and Johnson will be the gardening trio.

Nazarin Back To Form

Although Indian hurler Kassa Nazarin showed signs of faltering during the last two frames against the Canadians, in their Preliminary Round of the series, he is gradually coming back to form, and pitched his team to victory over the Chinese with a brilliant four-hitter, but the back-bone of the Indian team is to be found in its fielding, which puts up a swell defence to Nazarin's mound wizardry.

At first base, Markar has the nod over "Romeo" Hamet, the former boasting a swat mark of .922 for the season, whilst Baby Abbas and Huckjai Kitchell are as spry a keystone pair as you can find. Kitchell was on the sick list last week, but should be able to be back in the line-up this week—not that "Slim" Arculli, who plugged up the short stop gap last week couldn't hold the job—but Kitchell is in a class by himself.

Sherry Bux, Cyclone ace third-sacker, will be holding the hot corner. Patrolling the out-field in the left patch will be Jindoo "Muscle-bound" Hussain, whose timely hit last week put the team in the final. Fans are still wondering whether Hussain's recent hitting streak is a stepping out sign from the rut in which he was deeply imbedded for some time, or just another flash in the pan. In the centre patch, will be "Big Boy" Bakar, number one hitter of the league, whilst "Savage" Hassan, who one time held the slugging lead, will be roaming the right field.

Mohawks Should Win

It is hard to figure the Mohawks at the losing end of any tussle, but they have been beaten recently, and it is not impossible for them to be beaten again, whilst on the other hand, the rough-riding Indians will have a tough

PROGRAMME FOR TO-MORROW

(At Kowloon F.C. Ground)
WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL
PLAY-OFF

China (10.30 a.m.) v Portugal
(Umpire: "Doc" Molthen.
Kassa Nazarin and Chuck Waggoner)

MEN'S INTERNATIONAL
PLAY-OFF

India (11.45 a.m.) v United States
(Umpire: "Grandpa" Leung.
Nip Lum and Nick Beltrao)

time ahead of them when they face the mace-mauling Mohawks. Anyway you look at it, it's a pinch, but win, lose or draw, both teams will be in there scrapping, hustling and fighting for every inch of ground until the last put-out.

Umpires selected for this important tussle are "Grandpa" Leung, Nip Lum and Nick Beltrao. The Portuguese team, as a team will be seen for the first time in the series, when they take on the Chinese maidens in the curtain raiser. The Chinese were handed out a rude shock last week, when they were almost toppled by Sarge Welford's Great Britain contingent, in a surprise performance on the rubber by portlander Dolly Brown, who handcuffed the Chinese for the greater part of the game.

It must have been the dazed look on the first three strikeout victims in the first two chapters which led Portuguese Coach Cesar "Donald Duck" Xavier to remark to this scribe, "If that's what they call playing ball, the series is in the bag for us."

This corner is inclined to think that Cesar has been indulging in a bit of over-optimism, for the Chinese have the experience and team work which the Portuguese lassies lack. Both the Collaco-Motta and Ng-Louie batteries are about equally matched, the former being able to boast two no-hitters during the pennant campaign, whilst it is generally recognised that the latter is fast developing into a speed-ball whiffer.

Chinese infield will be Rene Yuen, first base; Ulan Khoo, second, with Lily "Sunshine" Mar stamping on the other side of the middle cushion, and Gloria Mar at third. Mary Mar, Virginia Chu and Doris Mar will be in the outer pastures fly-shagging.

Portugal's Team

After weeks of work-outs, the Portuguese team has at last been selected. Irene Pereira, heavy willow-wielder will hold first, whilst lead-off slugger Ding Lopes will be guarding the keystone, with Irene "Tom-boy" Cast'ho patrolling the windy alley, and Celeste Marques guarding the hot corner.

Gardeners will be panther star fly-chaser Theresa Marques at left, "Big Chief Wahoo" Therese Noronha in the centre patch, and Lella Xavier, Panther pint-sized hurler, patrolling the right field. Hilda "Bambina" Soares, will be standing by to hit in the pinches, whilst Thelma "Peanut" Marques, Socorro and Aida Castro will be utility fielders.

GRAPHIC GOLF



SHANKING CURE

By BEST BALL

Shanking is an insidious golf fault that often recurs when least expected. Sometimes an epidemic of shanking just happens, at other times the mere suggestion is enough to cause trouble. In shanking the lower part of the club shaft, the hosel makes contact with the ball instead of the club-face. To the uninitiated, the fault doesn't seem too hard to cure but to the afflicted it's quite a problem.

One way of combating the difficulty is to keep the left hand close to the body when the ball is being struck. As it is sometimes difficult to consciously keep track of this member during the fast down-swing action, the golfer should attempt to let his left hand graze his left trouser leg as he comes onto the ball. This will prevent the hands from straying too far out toward the ball and thereby encourage shanking.

Next Article—Where Acceleration Slows Up.

ENGLAND'S CRICKET STATED TO BE RETURN- ING TO OLD GLORY

CRICKET, WHOSE FATE last season was left mainly in the hands of the British Empire and London Counties sides, looks like coming back into its own for the second war season.

Five county sides, in addition to the British Empire and London Counties teams have announced their intention of arranging matches and, with Sir Pelham Warner already engaged on the task of arranging matches at Lord's, only an invasion of the grounds by Hitler and his hordes will stop the Englishman having his cricket.

A flip should be given to the game by the announcement that D. R. Jardine, the former England captain of "bodyline" notoriety, will captain the British Empire XI when military duties permit.

Ambitious Plans

The plans of this team are even more ambitious than their opening campaign last summer when they played 38 matches and were the only team to beat the London Counties team which is composed mainly of star professionals.

Jack Hobbs is president of the London Counties this season.

Despite the fact that a number of players have joined the Services since last season Desmond Donnelly, the youthful organiser of the team, hopes to raise about £2,500 for the Red Cross during the season.

Several attractive fixtures have already been arranged, and some games have been promised at Lord's, their opponents including London Counties and the Royal Air Force. Matches will be played with Cambridge University, Nottinghamshire, Sir Julius Cahn's XI and a West of England XI, and is hoped to fix up games with Yorkshire, Worcestershire and Oxford University.

C. B. Clarke, the West Indies test player, who did so well for the Empire XI last season, taking 83 wickets at a cost of 10.74 runs, will again be available, but notable absentees will be R. Nelson, the Northants' captain, who was killed on active service, and L. F. Parslow, last year's leading scorer with 900 runs, who has joined the R.A.F.

Tom Goddard, the Gloucester and England off-break bowler, has promised to assist in the provincial games.

The Counties who have so far announced their intention of playing are Surrey, Essex, Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire and Leicestershire.

Nottinghamshire are looking forward to the occasional assistance of their star players now in the Forces. Joe Hardstaff, C. B. Harris and H. Butler are sergeants in A. A. batteries. J. Knowles is a gunner, and F. G. Woodhead and E. A. Meads are in the R.A.F.

Northampton "Doing Bit"

Northampton's cricketers did not shine very brightly in the pre-war county cricket championship, but they are certainly "doing their bit" in the Forces.

Partridge, Brookes and Greenwood three of their professionals, are Sergeant-Instructors on the P. T. staff of the R.A.F. Davis, after a spell in the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry, has transferred to the A.F.S. and Robinson is in the R.A.F.

W. E. Merritt, the New Zealand test player, who was leading wicket-keeper for Northampton in the last summer before the war, holds a commission in the Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

Of the amateurs who have assisted the county, E. J. H. Dixer is in the Fleet Air Arm and C. W. S. Lubbock is in the Royal Navy. —Reuter.

"Y" ATHLETIC CLUB

An athletic section of the Y.M.C.A. was formed last night when the following were elected to the Committee.—E. L. Clegg, P. Manson, B. S. Wilson, W. S. Gegg, E. W. Raitton.

Although entries for the South China sports are closed, an approach will be made to allow the Y.M.C.A. to enter. If the entries are accepted the following will be made by the Y.M.C.A.—1,600 metres relay (team to be selected), 400 and 800 metres (E. L. Clegg and Manson), 100 and 200 metres (Gegg), 110 hurdles (B. S. Wilson).

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA

The decided falling-off in attendances at this season's interstate cricket matches has worried and puzzled cricket enthusiasts, writes a correspondent in the "Sunday Morning Herald." Last season attendances soared to record figures. This season they fell to such an extent that there may be a slight loss.

Various reasons have been advanced for the comparative lack of interest in the series. The banning of the Sheffield Shield matches, with a consequent loss of the competitive spirit, has been the chief reason given by several.

But possibly the main reason was the absence of those magnetic names which in past seasons drew thousands. Military duties kept two of Australia's greatest attractions—D. G. Bradman and A. L. Hassett— from playing. In our own State, S. J. McCabe, suffering from a disability, was not always available, though he gallantly tried to play.

Gates Affected

The absence of these players meant much to the gates. Very few of the interstate teams were worthy of first-class cricket. The public early realised this and stayed away. It lost little in doing so, for on occasions the exhibitions were of a very mediocre nature.

There has been some criticism of officials for not playing the Sheffield Shield. But in these times no other decision was possible. The Shield is the cherished symbol of cricket supremacy in Australia. With some of our best engaged in more serious work, it was unthinkable that the States should strive for such a symbol. The postponing of the Shield matches for a season or two should not prove a hardship.

Much has been made of the lack of the competitive spirit in the matches. The players tried hard enough. They were all keen on retaining their places. Recently the New South Wales Lawn-Tennis Association held its State championships. The best players

took part—J. Bromwich, A. K. Quist, J. H. Crawford, and D. Pails. Competition was keen, play brilliant, yet the crowd stayed away. So much for the competitive spirit in these times.

There is, too, another reason why sport of this description did not attract its crowds as in the past. Rightly or wrongly, thousands are more interested in the matches played on the Libyan Desert than on the cricket grounds and tennis courts of Australia. . . . After all, there is a war.

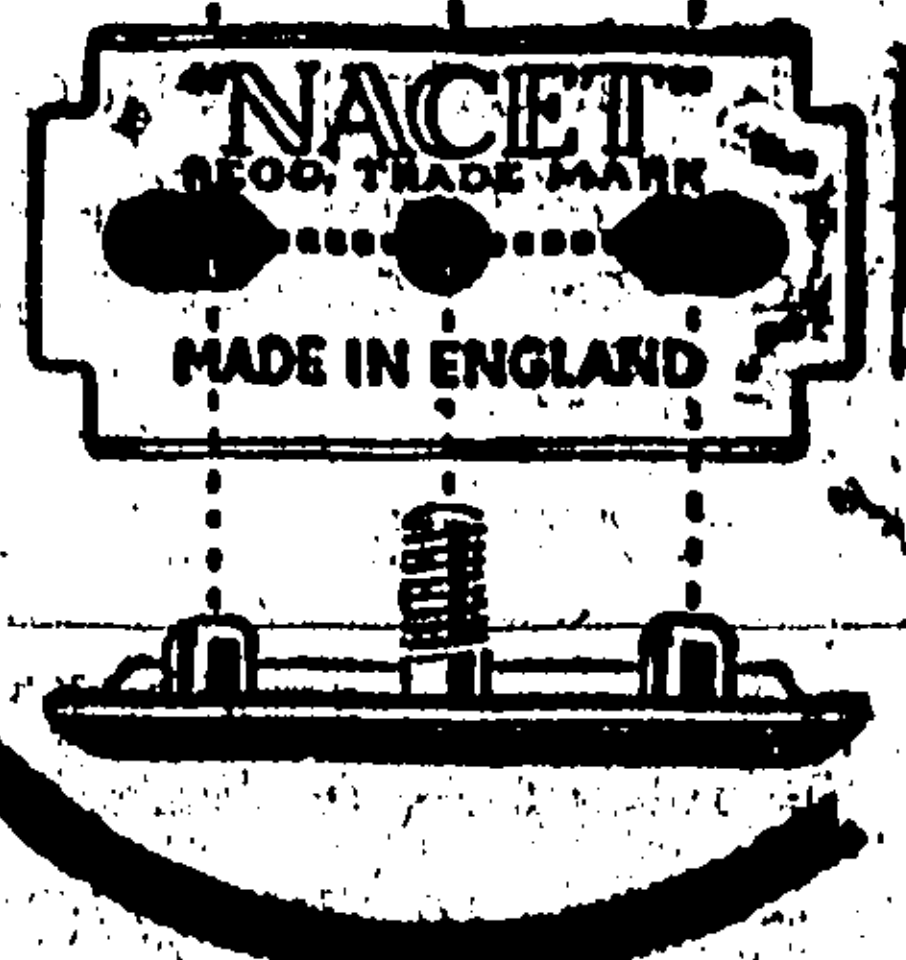
ATHLETIC MEETING

The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association will hold their annual Inter-Club athletic meeting on the South China Athletic Association ground, Caroline Hill to-day, commencing at 11 a.m. and terminating at 5.30 p.m. Lady MacGregor, wife of the Chief Justice, will present the prizes.

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GENERAL O'CONNOR IN ITALY

It is learned in Cairo that General Sir Richard O'Connor, and Lieutenant-Colonel John Combe, who were taken prisoner at Cyrenaica early this month, are in a prisoners-of-war camp in Central Italy. —Reuter.

OF LITTLE NEWS VALUE

Admiral Darlan returned to Vichy on Friday after a twenty-five hour stay in Paris where he saw M. De Brinon and not the German Ambassador, Otto Abetz, which it is stated, was the real purpose of his visit.

According to German Foreign Office officials in Berlin, Admiral Darlan's visit to Paris was "of little news value."

These officials declined to say whether Otto Abetz is in Paris. —Reuter.

GREEK MINISTER LEAVES SOFIA

The Greek Minister in Sofia, with the Legation Staff, has left Bulgaria for Turkey, according to the official Italian News Agency.

Greece formally broke off relations with Bulgaria two or three days ago. —Reuter.

Daring Attacks By R.A.F. Pilots

A SUPPLY SHIP of 16,000 tons was sunk a mile up the Nieuwe Waterway soon after dawn yesterday morning, states the Air Ministry News Service.

Two bombs were dropped from 25 feet and hit the ship, debris being thrown into the air and black smoke being belched upwards.

The ship's crew dived into the canal.

Some smaller ships were also attacked with bombs and machine-gun fire and a military camp on the Dutch coast was raked with fire.

Important iron and steel works at IJmuiden were attacked and a stick of bombs was seen to burst on the plants and furnaces. Another stick fell on a line of buildings, another across a large storage tank for by-products.

Hit Back

Just before attacking, one of our aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire in both wings and the main oil pipe was damaged.

One engine began to cut out and oil flooded into the aircraft.

The pilot decided to give the gunners a chance to fire at the gun which had hit the aircraft. They flew low and silenced the enemy gun.

A stick of bombs was then dropped on a line of laden barges. On the return journey, enemy troops were machine-gunned as they were taking cover on the sand dunes. Our aircraft returned safely to their bases. —Reuter.

Advance Upon Dessie

South African troops, advancing from Addis Ababa, are now, says British H.Q. in Cairo, within a few miles of Dessie.

Dessie is the hub of the supply system of what remains of Italian East Africa, and its fall would mean that the Italians would either have to try and retreat to the east towards French Somaliland, where they would be in danger of being cut off in the rear, or else continue a purposeless flight along the road leading northward from Dessie.

If they took the latter course, they would be squeezed by a pincer movement since the British forces advancing from the North are now pressing upon the great natural fortress of Amba Abagi, 9,000 feet high, 200 miles from Dessie. —Reuter.

GREEK NAME SHINES

"ITALY ALONE WOULD NOT HAVE SUCCEEDED IN CONQUERING LITTLE GREECE," DECLARES THE NEWSPAPER "DAGENS NYHETER" ADDING, "THE FINAL OUTCOME WAS CERTAIN WHEN THE GERMANS STARTED, EVEN DURING THE LAST PHASE THE GREEK NAME SHINES UNDIMMED."

Discussing the North African situation, the naval correspondent of Stockholm's "Tidningen" says that if the British navy successfully hampers Italo-German sea communications in North Africa, this will not only actively help the defence of Egypt but will eventually isolate Italian and German land forces obliging them to retreat instead of launching an attack on Suez. —Reuter.

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[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]
A proclamation issued in Athens yesterday requests the population to maintain order and remain where they are, and to exercise patience until "matters are arranged" by the military. The Proclamation warned that internal disorders would be crushed ruthlessly.

This was the first word for hours from Athens. —International News Service.

With two months to go, as far as the release of official Treasury figures are concerned, it is patently clear that the Colony will end the financial period of the last Budget, ended March 31, with a very substantial surplus.

At the end of January the excess of assets over liabilities had reached the record total of \$23,668,855, having risen a further \$800,000 during the month of January.

In the thirteen months since January 1, 1940, revenue totalled \$59,257,070, of which special war taxation produced \$6,691,829.

Ordinary revenue in the same period was \$6,300,000 over and above the revenue for the corresponding period of the preceding year. Every head of revenue was substantially up except the K.C.R. and licences, fines and forfeitures.

Expenditure for the 18 months was \$52,679,383, leaving a surplus over the period of \$6,500,000, in spite of special war expenditure totalling no less than \$8,299,476.

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